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**Act No. 148 (S.338). Criminal procedure; corrections policy; diversion; pretrial services; probation and parole; furlough**

**An act relating to justice reinvestment**

This act:

- Establishes an avenue for certain people to be eligible for parole consideration prior to reaching their minimum sentence; establishes two tiers of presumptive parole to be rolled out over the next 3 years; and sets up a system of administrative review of all presumptive parole cases prior to release.
- Reduces furlough to three types of statuses: Temporary Furlough, Treatment Furlough, and Community Supervision Furlough; repeals reintegration furlough, furlough without approved housing, treatment furlough for low-risk people, and treatment furlough for people with specific DUI convictions; and establishes a review and notification process for furlough revocations.
- Allows incarcerated people to earn 7 days off their minimum sentence for every month they are incarcerated without a major disciplinary rule violation and removes the requirement that a person participate in DOC-recommended programming to earn good time.
- Requires stakeholders to develop recommendations regarding racial and geographic disparities in sentences and report to the standing committees; directs the Parole Board to report to the standing committees on the administrative burden of the new presumptive parole policy and the anticipated change in that burden from expanding presumptive parole eligibility in 2023 to offenders who commit certain listed offenses; tasks the Justice Reinvestment II Working Group with overseeing the implementation of the policies in the act if federal funding is available and gives the Working Group specific directives to work with the Council of State Governments.

Multiple effective dates, beginning on July 13, 2020.