

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 2357**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Skinner**

February 21, 2014

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An act to amend Section 3020 of the Penal Code, relating to parole.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2357, as introduced, Skinner. Parole: consideration of an inmate's military service.

Existing law requires the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to conduct assessments of all inmates that include, but are not limited to, data regarding the inmate's history of substance abuse, medical and mental health, education, family background, criminal activity, and social functioning, which are required to be used to place the inmate in programs that will aid in his or her reentry to society and that will most likely reduce the inmate's chances of reoffending.

This bill would additionally require the department to include in that assessment data regarding the inmate's service in the United States military.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 3020 of the Penal Code is amended to
- 2 read:
- 3 3020. The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation shall
- 4 conduct assessments of all inmates that include, but are not limited

1 to, data regarding the inmate's history of substance abuse, medical  
2 and mental health, education, family background, criminal activity,  
3 *service in the United States military*, and social functioning. The  
4 assessments shall be used to place ~~inmates~~ *the inmate* in programs  
5 that will aid in ~~their~~ *his or her* reentry to society and that will most  
6 likely reduce the inmate's chances of reoffending.

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