

AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 13, 2000

SENATE BILL

No. 1987

Introduced by Senators Vasconcellos and Polanco

February 25, 2000

An act to add Section 3069 to the Penal Code, relating to parolees, and making an appropriation therefor.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1987, as amended, Vasconcellos. Parolees: substance abuse treatment and employment training.

Existing law provides for a parolee substance abuse treatment plan and for a preventing parolee crime program, as specified.

This bill would appropriate ~~\$13,500,000~~ \$11,925,000 from the General Fund to the Department of Corrections for a 3-year demonstration project, the purpose of which is to provide substance abuse treatment services and parallel employment preparation training, as specified, to felons who are to be paroled.

Vote: $\frac{2}{3}$. Appropriation: yes. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 3069 is added to the Penal Code,
2 to read:
3 3069. (a) (1) A highly structured ~~program of~~
4 ~~in-prison substance abuse treatment services and parallel~~
5 ~~in-prison employment preparation training shall be~~

1 provided by agencies within the California Therapeutic
2 Communities Association, or by similar agencies
3 approved by the Department of Corrections, to felons
4 who are to be paroled.

5 (2) The substance abuse treatment program shall
6 include the following components, with not less than 20
7 hours per week of substance abuse treatment and at least
8 10 hours of structured optional treatment:

- 9 (A) Orientation and assessment.
- 10 (B) Substance abuse and recovery.
- 11 (C) Monitoring progress.
- 12 (D) Transitional strategies.

13 (3) The employment preparation training shall be
14 provided for at least five hours per week for inmates that
15 are 90 days from release and may include the following:

- 16 (A) Skills identification.
- 17 (B) Goal setting.
- 18 (C) Problem solving and decisionmaking.
- 19 (D) Job development.
- 20 (E) Interview skills.
- 21 (F) Resume development.
- 22 (G) Job retention issues and resolutions.

23 (b) (1) Once the parolee transitions back to the
24 community, services shall be provided to the parolee in
25 both a residential and employment training setting.

26 (2) Agencies participating in the Community
27 Corrections Coalition of California, or similar agencies
28 approved by the department, shall assist with reentry
29 services.

30 (3) Integrated case management serving the parolees'
31 substance treatment, employment preparation, and job
32 placement shall be maintained.

33 (4) (A) When appropriate, a parolee shall obtain
34 extensive assistance at a multiservice facility that offers
35 the following services:

- 36 (i) Substance abuse treatment.
- 37 (ii) Counseling.
- 38 (iii) Vocational assessment.



1 ~~(iv) Transitional supportive services, including, but~~
2 ~~not limited to, independent housing, transportation,~~
3 ~~meals, work clothing, and work tools.~~

4 ~~(v) Job development and placement services.~~

5 ~~(vi) Postemployment services.~~

6 ~~(vii) Monitoring at 30, 60, 90, 120, or 180 days.~~

7 ~~(B) There shall be four multiservice facilities~~
8 ~~statewide, two in northern California and two in southern~~
9 ~~California.~~ *employment preparation program shall be*
10 *offered by the Department of Corrections as an in-prison*
11 *parallel service to enhance current substance abuse*
12 *treatment services. Training shall be provided by*
13 *employment training, placement, retention and reentry*
14 *specialists in collaboration with substance treatment*
15 *providers. The comprehensive continuum of care shall*
16 *continue as the offender transitions back to the*
17 *community. Services shall be provided by agencies*
18 *approved by the department, to parolees and in-custody*
19 *offenders who are to be paroled to designated locations.*

20 *(2) The in-custody employment preparation training*
21 *shall be provided by job training and placement*
22 *providers for at least five hours per week for in-custody*
23 *offenders that are 90 days from release and shall include,*
24 *but not be limited to, the following:*

25 *(A) Vocational assessment and skills identification.*

26 *(B) Life skills training to include goal setting, resume*
27 *development, and job seeking and retention skills.*

28 *(b) (1) Once the parolee makes the transition back to*
29 *the community, services shall be provided to the parolee*
30 *in both a residential and community employment*
31 *training, placement and retention service setting.*
32 *Services shall include integrated case management*
33 *servicing the parolees' substance abuse treatment,*
34 *employment preparation, and job placement and*
35 *retention needs shall be maintained.*

36 *(2) (A) When appropriate, a parolee shall obtain*
37 *extensive assistance at a community employment facility*
38 *that offers the following services:*

39 *(i) Relapse prevention and recovery services.*

40 *(ii) Vocational assessment and career counseling.*



1 (iii) Assistance in obtaining transitional supportive
2 services, including, but not limited to, housing,
3 transportation, meals, work clothing, and tools.

4 (iv) Job development and placement services.

5 (v) Job retention services.

6 (vi) Postemployment services.

7 (vii) Monitoring at 30, 60, 90, 120, or 180 days.

8 (B) The enhanced substance abuse services shall be
9 located at four community employment settings, two in
10 northern California and two in southern California.

11 (c) The Department of Corrections shall conduct a
12 study to determine the impact of the program of
13 substance abuse treatment services and parallel
14 employment preparation training, placement, and
15 retention services on parolee stability, employment
16 retention, and recidivism, and a cost-benefit analysis. The
17 department shall report its findings to the Legislature by
18 July 1, 2004.

19 (d) (1) The program of substance abuse treatment
20 services and parallel employment preparation training,
21 placement, and retention services shall be a
22 demonstration project that shall start on ~~July 1, 2004~~ April
23 1, 2001, and shall continue for three years.

24 (2) The program of substance abuse treatment
25 services and parallel employment ~~preparation training~~
26 services shall serve at least ~~2,000~~ 500 parolees the first
27 year, 3,000 parolees the second year, and 4,000 parolees in
28 the third and final year.

29 (3) The ~~program of partnership of enhanced~~
30 substance abuse treatment services and parallel
31 employment ~~preparation training~~ services shall cost no
32 more than one thousand five hundred (\$1,500) per
33 participant.

34 SEC. 2. The sum of ~~thirteen million five hundred~~
35 ~~thousand dollars (\$13,500,000)~~ eleven million nine
36 hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$11,925,000) is
37 hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the
38 Department of Corrections Office of Substance Abuse
39 Programs for the purposes of this act, without regard to
40 fiscal year, according to the following schedule:

1 (a) ~~Three million dollars (\$3,000,000)~~ *Eight hundred*
2 *twenty-five thousand dollars (\$825,000)* for the first year
3 of the demonstration project in order to serve ~~2,000~~ *500*
4 participants.

5 (b) Four million ~~five~~ *eight* hundred thousand dollars
6 ~~(\$4,500,000)~~ *(\$4,800,000)* for the second year of the
7 demonstration project in order to serve 3,000
8 participants.

9 (c) Six million ~~dollars (\$6,000,000)~~ *three hundred*
10 *thousand dollars (\$6,300,000)* for the third and final year
11 of the demonstration project in order to serve 4,000
12 participants.

