

Assembly Bill No. 3064

CHAPTER 782

An act to add and repeal Section 5056.5 to the Penal Code, relating to corrections.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 3064, Committee on Public Safety. Corrections: Reentry Advisory Committee.

Existing law authorizes the Secretary of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to contract for the establishment and operation of community correctional reentry centers and work furlough programs.

This bill would require the secretary to establish a Reentry Advisory Committee, comprised as specified, to advise the secretary on matters related to the successful planning, implementation, and outcomes of all reentry programs and services in the department, with the goal of reducing recidivism. This requirement would be repealed on January 1, 2011.

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

SECTION 1. Section 5056.5 is added to the Penal Code, to read:

5056.5. (a) On or before July 1, 2007, the Secretary of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation shall establish a Reentry Advisory Committee. The committee shall report to the secretary, who shall serve as chair of the committee. The committee shall include representation from stakeholders in the successful administration of reentry programming and shall be comprised of the following members, appointed by the secretary:

- (1) A representative of the California League of Cities.
- (2) A representative of the California State Association of Counties.
- (3) A representative of the California State Sheriffs' Association.
- (4) A representative of the California Police Chiefs' Association.
- (5) A representative of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation Adult Parole Operations.
- (6) A representative of the Department of Mental Health.
- (7) A representative of the Department of Social Services.
- (8) A representative of the Department of Health Services.
- (9) A representative of the Labor and Workforce Development Agency.
- (10) A representative of the County Alcohol and Drug Program Administrators Association.

(11) A representative of the California Association of Alcohol and Drug Program Executives.

(12) An individual with experience in providing housing for low-income individuals.

(13) A recognized expert in restorative justice programs.

(14) An individual with experience in providing education and vocational training services.

(15) An independent consultant with expertise in community corrections and reentry services.

(b) The Reentry Advisory Committee shall meet at least quarterly at a time and place determined by the secretary. Committee members shall receive compensation for travel expenses pursuant to existing regulations, but no other compensation.

(c) The Reentry Advisory Committee shall advise the secretary on all matters related to the successful statewide planning, implementation, and outcomes of all reentry programs and services provided by the department, with the goal of reducing recidivism of all persons under the jurisdiction of the department. The committee shall consider and advise the secretary on the following issues:

(1) Encouraging collaboration among key stakeholders at the state and local levels.

(2) Developing a knowledge base of what people need to successfully return to their communities from prison and what resources communities need to successfully provide for these needs.

(3) Incorporating reentry outcomes into department organizational missions and work plans as priorities.

(4) Funding of reentry programs.

(5) Promoting systems of integration and coordination.

(6) Measuring outcomes and evaluating the impact of reentry programs.

(7) Educating the public about reentry programs and their role in public safety.

(d) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2011, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2011, deletes or extends that date.