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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009—10 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2547

Introduced by Assembly Member Galgiani

February 19, 2010

~~An act to amend Section 1784 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to youths. An act to add Section 5024.3 to the Penal Code, relating to prisons.~~

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2547, as amended, Galgiani. ~~Youths.~~ *Prisons: medical supplies: demonstration contracts.*

Existing law authorizes the Secretary of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to adopt regulations requiring the manufacturers of drugs to pay the department a rebate for the purchase of drugs for offenders in state custody that is equal to the rebate that would be applicable under the federal Social Security Act. Existing law also allows the department to establish cost-effective strategies for the procurement of drugs in cooperation with the Department of General Services.

This bill would authorize the department to enter into demonstration contracts with manufacturers of medical supplies for the purpose of establishing rebate programs or other cost-saving mechanisms and achieving demonstrated cost savings in the purchase of medical supplies. The bill would require the department to maintain a list of supplies for which contracts have been executed pursuant to these provisions.

~~Existing law states the findings and declarations of the Legislature that the mobilizations of community resources to help in providing youthful offenders with services which relate to the root causes of~~

~~delinquency is vital and that juvenile justice community resource programs should be encouraged and supported.~~

~~This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to those provisions.~~

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

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 5024.3 is added to the Penal Code, to
2 read:

3 5024.3. (a) The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
4 may enter into demonstration contracts with manufacturers of
5 medical supplies for the purpose of establishing rebate programs
6 or achieving other cost-saving mechanisms and demonstrated cost
7 savings in the purchase of medical supplies. Contracts may be
8 entered into for items of the department's selection, including, but
9 not limited to, diabetes test strips, incontinence supplies, and
10 creams and washes.

11 (b) The department shall maintain a list of the supplies for which
12 contracts have been executed pursuant to this section.

13 (c) This section does not prevent the department from
14 maintaining or entering into contracts with small retail businesses
15 to supply medical supplies for use by the department.

16 SECTION 1. ~~Section 1784 of the Welfare and Institutions Code~~
17 ~~is amended to read:~~

18 ~~1784. The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:~~

19 ~~(a) That the mobilization of community resources to aid in~~
20 ~~providing youthful offenders with necessary educational,~~
21 ~~psychological, medical, and other services which relate to root~~
22 ~~causes of delinquency is vital.~~

23 ~~(b) That due to increased and heavy caseloads, probation officers~~
24 ~~cannot be expected to assume the full burden of providing~~
25 ~~necessary services to youthful offenders.~~

26 ~~(c) That addressing the root causes of delinquent behavior in a~~
27 ~~cost-effective manner yields tremendous societal benefits in the~~
28 ~~prevention of future criminality and the integration of the offender~~
29 ~~into productive society.~~

30 ~~(d) That by encouraging community participation, programs~~
31 ~~such as the Juvenile Justice Connection Project in Los Angeles~~

- 1 County have achieved great success in providing services to young
- 2 people at a substantial savings to the taxpayer.
- 3 (e) That efforts to implement similar projects throughout the
- 4 state should be encouraged and supported.

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