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CORRECTIONS Act

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Sponsor

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Oct 19, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 573	Related bill	Dec 22, 2018: Held at the desk.
115 HR 6011	Related bill	Jul 30, 2018: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.
115 HR 613	Related bill	May 16, 2018: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
115 S 1917	Related bill	Feb 15, 2018: Committee on the Judiciary. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
115 S 1084	Related bill	May 10, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
115 HR 1886	Related bill	Apr 26, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.
115 HR 1607	Related bill	Mar 31, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.

Corrections Oversight, Recidivism Reduction, and Eliminating Costs for Taxpayers In Our National System Act of 2017 or the CORRECTIONS Act

This bill directs the Department of Justice (DOJ) to review existing recidivism reduction programs and productive activities (e.g., a prison work program) in federal correctional facilities.

It amends the federal criminal code to:

- require the Bureau of Prisons (BOP) to expand recidivism reduction programs and productive activities to all eligible prisoners;
- allow an additional period of prerelease custody for prisoners who earn time credits for successfully completing such programs;
- require DOJ to develop the Post-Sentencing Risk and Needs Assessment System;
- require presentence investigation reports to include certain information such as substance abuse history, military service, and veteran status; and
- permit a court to reduce a life prison term imposed on a defendant convicted as an adult for an offense committed as a juvenile.

The Administrative Office of the United States Courts must establish a supervised release pilot program to reduce recidivism and improve substance abuse recovery.

DOJ must evaluate reentry best practices and create reentry demonstration projects in judicial districts.

The bill amends the Second Chance Act of 2007 to make permanent and modify eligibility for an elderly offender early release pilot program.

Lieutenant Osvaldo Albarati Correctional Officer Self-Protection Act of 2017

The bill requires the BOP to allow a federal correctional officer to: (1) securely store firearms on BOP premises outside the security perimeter of the institution or in a vehicle lockbox, and (2) carry a concealed firearm on BOP premises outside the security perimeter of the institution.

National Criminal Justice Commission Act of 2017

The bill establishes the National Criminal Justice Commission.

Actions Timeline

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