

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 55th Legislature

Bill No.:	SB578
Version:	ENGR
Request Number:	
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Date:	3/19/2015
Impact:	No cost to state

Research Analysis

SB 578 requires the Department of Corrections to promulgate rules necessary to allow the eligibility of felony offenders or offenders who are terminally ill or progressively debilitated to be considered for parole to a private stand-alone long-term care facility. The measure prohibits persons sentenced to death, life without the possibility of parole or persons sentenced for a violent offense from eligibility. The measure also recodifies similar language regarding stand-alone long-term care facilities for sex offenders from Title 63 to Title 57.

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Fiscal Analysis

Should a private, stand-alone long-term care facility choose to house the offenders as prescribed in SB578, the healthcare costs DOC currently pays for those offenders would be transferred to the Federal Government via the Medicare or Medicaid Program.

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Other Considerations

None.