

**BILL SUMMARY**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature

<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>HB3159</b>
<b>Version:</b>	<b>INT</b>
<b>Request Number:</b>	<b>8602</b>
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<b>Impact:</b>	<b>Contingent upon eligibility.</b>

**Research Analysis**

HB 3159 establishes that a person who has been convicted of an 85% sentence is to be placed on the first available parole docket of the Pardon and Parole Board immediately following the date upon which the person has served the required term of imprisonment. The measure allows persons serving an 85% sentence to receive and accumulate earned credits in an amount not to exceed 5% of the total number of days of the prison sentence. The measure prohibits the application of earned credits which results in the immediate discharge of the person from custody.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

According to officials with the Department of Corrections, HB3159 “does not save the agency money, it will cost us money. While it guarantees 85% inmates a parole hearing it doesn’t guarantee them parole.

Furthermore, it caps their credits that they can bank at 5% therefore creating 95% crimes instead of 85% crimes leaving them in our custody longer. It also prohibits inmates from immediately releasing due to the administration of credits...again keeping them in longer.”

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**Other Considerations**

Cost of incarceration with the DOC		
<u>Type</u>	-	<u>Daily</u>
Maximum		87.20
Medium		42.83
Minimum		41.75
Community		47.07
Work Center		42.35

