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The CS for SB 1566 authorizes offenders supervised by the Department of Corrections or a private supervision provider on probation to earn discharge credits for compliance with the terms and conditions of probation supervision to reduce the term of supervision and the overall term of the sentence. The measure requires the supervising body to award 30 days of credit to an offender that successfully complies with the terms of his or her probation for a calendar month. Prisoners convicted of assault and battery or with an 85% mandatory minimum are not eligible to receive credit.

Supervisory bodies must adopt written policies and procedures necessary for the implementation of earned discharge credits and are required to notify the court at least 30 days in advance of the expected discharge date. If an offender has accrued a combination of time served, credit earned, and probation time, the supervisory body is directed to order the discharge of the offender. The Department of Corrections shall also maintain a record of credits earned and provide an updated discharge date to each prisoner at least once every 6 months.

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