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Amendment No.

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SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENT

Second Reading

BY SENATOR Gonzales

1 Amend printed bill, page 2, before line 13 insert:

2 "SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 16-11.3-103, amend
3 (1), (2)(a), (2)(b), and (2)(f); repeal (2.5)(a); and add (2)(b.5) as follows:

16-11.3-103. Duties of the commission - mission - staffing -4 5 report - definition. (1) The mission of the commission is to enhance public safety, to ensure justice PROMOTE A JUST AND FAIR CRIMINAL 6 7 JUSTICE SYSTEM FOR ALL PERSONS, and to ensure protection of the 8 CONSTITUTIONAL AND STATUTORY rights of victims through the cost-effective use of public resources. The work of the commission will 9 10 focus on evidence-based recidivism reduction initiatives and the 11 cost-effective expenditure of limited criminal justice funds.

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(2) The commission has the following duties:

(a) To conduct an empirical analysis ANALYSES of and collect
evidence-based data on sentencing policies and practices, including but
not limited to the effectiveness of the sentences imposed in meeting the
purposes of sentencing and the need to prevent recidivism and
revictimization;

(b) To investigate effective alternatives to incarceration FOR ALL
OFFENDERS WHO CAN BE SAFELY PLACED IN ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMS, the
factors contributing to recidivism AND HOW TO ADDRESS THOSE FACTORS,
evidence-based recidivism reduction PREVENTION initiatives, and
cost-effective crime prevention programs TO ADDRESS INCREASING PRISON
POPULATIONS AND THE NEED TO PROMOTE PUBLIC SAFETY;

(b.5) TO INVESTIGATE EFFECTIVE INTERVENTION FOR PERSONS
INVOLVED IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM WHO ARE SUFFERING FROM
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DISORDERS AND HOW THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM
CAN MORE EFFECTIVELY INTERVENE WITH THAT POPULATION THROUGH
EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICES;

(f) To work with other state-established boards, task forces, or
commissions that study or address criminal justice issues, AND
COMMUNITY GROUPS THAT WORK WITH VIOLENCE PREVENTION, OFFENDER
RE-ENTRY, RESTORATIVE JUSTICE, AND VICTIM AND SURVIVOR SUPPORT;
(2.5) (a) Using empirical analysis and evidence-based data, the
commission shall study sentences in Colorado.".

35 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

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