(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the department of corrections to inform an offender in writing of the intent to transfer the offender out-of-state no less than fourteen days prior to the proposed date of transfer.

Provides the secretary of corrections may not transfer an offender out of state if the offender, within five days of being notified of the department's intent to transfer the offender out-of-state, requests in writing to remain in an in-state facility and demonstrates that he or she: (1) Is regularly participating in extended family visitations with his or her child;

- (2) Is regularly participating in parent-teacher conferences involving his or her child; or
- (3) Has had at least six contacts, either in person or by telephone, with his or her child within the six months prior to the proposed transfer.

Requires that, when the department of corrections transfers offenders from an out-of-state facility to an instate facility, the department must give priority to offenders who, prior to their transfer to the out-of-state facility, met at least one of the transfer requirements under this act and who request, in writing, a transfer to an in-state facility.