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**ESSB 6002** - H AMD TO H AMD (H-4473.1/14) **819**

By Representative Habib

**ADOPTED 03/04/2014**

 On page 166, line 7, increase the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal year 2014 by $19,000

 On page 166, line 9, increase the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal year 2015 by $48,000

 On page 166, line 35, correct the total appropriation

 On page 167, after line 27 insert:

 "(6) $19,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal year 2014 and $48,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal year 2015 is provided solely for a pilot identicard program to assist and prepare offenders for release from prison and reentry into the community. The goal of the pilot identicard program is to provide proper state identification to offenders to facilitate access to services, employment, housing, and various other opportunities upon release to the community. By September 1, 2014, the department of licensing, working in conjunction with the department of corrections, must implement the pilot identicard program in accordance with the following:

 (a) The pilot program must provide an original, renewal, or replacement identicard to offenders that: (i) prove their identity as required by RCW 46.20.035; (ii) are under the custody of the department of corrections; (iii) have been sentenced to an incarceration period exceeding one year and one day; and (iv) are incarcerated within the Monroe correctional complex and within two months or less of release.

 (b) For purposes of verifying an offender's identity and eligibility for the program, a valid identification card issued by the department of corrections serves as sufficient proof of identity and residency for an offender to apply for and obtain a Washington state identicard.

 (c) For the purposes of the pilot program, and notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 46.20.117 RCW, the department of licensing must (i) waive the requirement that the offender not hold a valid Washington driver's license in order to receive an identicard; (ii) set an expiration date for an identicard issued under the pilot program for the first anniversary of the offender's birthdate after issuance; and (iii) not charge any fee to an applicant for an identicard issued as part of the pilot program.

 (d) The department of licensing, in consultation with the department of corrections, must report to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature on the results of the pilot identicard program and any recommendations for improvement by June 30, 2015."

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|  |  EFFECT:   Provides funding for the Department of Licensing, working in conjunction with the Department of Corrections, to implement a pilot identicard program to assist and prepare offenders for release from prison and reentry into the community. A report to the legislature on the pilot program must be submitted by June 30, 2015. FISCAL IMPACT: Increases General Fund - State by $67,000. |

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