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By Representative Ross

On page 1 of the striking amendment, strike all material after 2 line 2 and insert the following:

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"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The department of corrections shall immediately amend the graduated sanction violation response guide and other guidelines provided as a tool to department hearing officers in 7 determining the sanctions for violations of community custody. The 8 amendments shall limit by half the maximum sanction to be imposed for 9 each violation currently contained in the graduated sanction violation 10 response guide and other guidelines.

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NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. No later than May 30, 2012, the department of corrections shall adopt policies that provide that the department's hearings unit shall cause the conditional release from pre-hearing custody of twenty-five percent of all offenders accused of violating conditions of community custody. A greater percentage of offenders may be conditionally released from pre-hearing custody at the discretion of hearings officers.

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NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. No later than May 30, 2013, the department of correction shall adopt policies that provide that twenty-five percent of violations of community custody shall be sanctioned with non-confinement sanctions. A greater percentage of non-confinement sanctions may be imposed at the discretion of hearings officers.

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NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the

1 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes 2 effect immediately.

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4 Correct the title."

EFFECT: Strikes the underlying committee amendment (6204-S2.E AMH WAYS H4691.1). Requires the Department of Corrections (Department) to halve the current sanction maximums. Requires the Department to adopt policies, by May 30, 2012, that provide for 25 percent of offenders to be granted pre-hearing release and for 25 percent of violations to be sanctioned with non-confinement sanctions. Allows for greater numbers of offenders to be conditionally released from pre-hearing custody and given non-confinement sanctions at the discretion of hearing officers.

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