

HB 1889-S2.E - DIGEST

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Creates the office of the corrections ombuds within the office of the governor for the purpose of: (1) Providing information to inmates and their families;

(2) Promoting public awareness and understanding of the rights and responsibilities of inmates;

(3) Identifying system issues and responses for the governor and the legislature to act upon; and

(4) Ensuring compliance with relevant statutes, rules, and policies pertaining to corrections facilities, services, and treatment of inmates under the jurisdiction of the department of corrections.

Exempts the following from public disclosure under the public records act: Records exchanged and communications between the office of the corrections ombuds and the department of corrections, including the investigative record.

Provides for termination and review, under the sunset act, of the office of the corrections ombuds.