

Testimony on SB 13
to
The House Corrections and Juvenile Justice Committee

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The Department of Corrections supports SB 13 as amended. SB 13 was unanimously passed by the Senate. SB 13 amends the “Criminal History Records Act” to allow for the dissemination of information regarding changes in custody including work release assignments. This would provide conformity with the Open Records Act relative to the department’s dissemination of information and allow other law enforcement agencies to likewise disseminate custody information to crime victims.

Generally, criminal history record information is confidential or its dissemination restricted. SB 13 excludes custody information from the definition of criminal history thus allowing such information to be disseminated to crime victims.

SB 13 was amended by the Senate at the request of department to remove references to the “juvenile justice authority” due to the consolidation of that agency with the department.

The department urges favorable consideration for SB 13.