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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING CLARIFYING THE MANNER IN WHICH REDUCTIONS OF 102 INMATES' SENTENCES ARE ADMINISTERED IN COUNTY JAILS.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://leg.colorado.gov.)

The bill consolidates and clarifies various statutory sections concerning reductions of sentences for county jail inmates.

1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

HOUSE Amended 3rd Reading February 21, 2017

HOUSE Amended 2nd Reading February 16, 2017

1	SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, amend 17-26-109 as
2	follows:
3	17-26-109. Deductions of time - record keeping - forfeitures -
4	definition. (1) Every person who is sentenced to and imprisoned in any
5	county jail of this state or sentenced to pay a fine and costs or either or all
6	thereof and who performs faithfully the duties assigned to him or her
7	during his or her imprisonment therein is entitled to a deduction
8	EARNS DEDUCTIONS from the time of his or her sentence of two days in
9	any thirty-day period. If any such person escapes or attempts to escape
10	from the county jail, he or she shall forfeit all deduction from the time of
11	his or her sentence which he or she may have been entitled to up to the
12	time of the escape or attempt at escape, as provided for in this section AS
13	FOLLOWS:
14	(a) AN INMATE RECEIVES A ONE-DAY DEDUCTION FOR EACH
15	FIFTEEN DAYS ON HIS OR HER SENTENCE;
16	(b) In addition to the deduction described in subsection
17	(1)(a) OF THIS SECTION, AN INMATE MAY RECEIVE A TEN-DAY DEDUCTION
18	FOR EACH THIRTY DAYS ON HIS OR HER SENTENCE IF HE OR SHE:
19	(I) SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETES A DESIGNATED PROGRAM OR
20	EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITY WITHIN THE JAIL; OR
21	(II) DEMONSTRATES OUTSTANDING PROGRESS IN ANY DESIGNATED
22	PROGRAM OR EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITY WITHIN THE JAIL.
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24	(c) In addition to the deduction described in subsection
25	(1)(a) OF THIS SECTION, AN INMATE MAY RECEIVE A THIRTEEN-DAY
26	DEDUCTION FOR EACH THIRTY DAYS ON HIS OR HER SENTENCE IF THE
27	INMATE:

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1	(1) IS DESIGNATED BY THE COUNTY SHERIFF AS A TRUSTY
2	PRISONER;
3	(II) IS ENGAGED IN WORK WITHIN OR OUTSIDE THE WALLS OF THE
4	JAIL;
5	(III) PERFORMS HIS OR HER WORK IN A CREDITABLE MANNER;
6	(IV) CONDUCTS HIMSELF OR HERSELF IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE
7	RULES OF THE JAIL; AND
8	(V) IS APPROVED BY THE SHERIFF TO RECEIVE A DEDUCTION
9	PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION $(1)(c)$.
10	(d) AN INMATE MAY RECEIVE A DEDUCTION OF UP TO THIRTEEN
11	DAYS FOR EACH THIRTY DAYS ON HIS OR HER SENTENCE IF THE INMATE:
12	(I) IS SENTENCED TO THE COUNTY JAIL AS A DIRECT SENTENCE OR
13	AS A CONDITION OF PROBATION; AND
14	(II) IS PERMITTED TO PARTICIPATE IN WORK, EDUCATIONAL
15	PROGRAMMING OUTSIDE THE JAIL, MEDICAL RELEASE, HOME DETENTION,
16	OR DAY REPORTING PROGRAMS PURSUANT TO SECTION 18-1.3-106 (1).
17	(e) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS SECTION,
18	AN INMATE MAY NOT RECEIVE A DEDUCTION OF MORE THAN FIFTEEN DAYS
19	IN ANY THIRTY-DAY PERIOD, REGARDLESS OF HOW MANY PROGRAMS THE
20	INMATE PARTICIPATES IN, WHETHER THE INMATE IS DESIGNATED A TRUSTY
21	PRISONER OR IS SENTENCED AS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1)(d) OF THIS
22	SECTION.
23	(f) (I) IN ADDITION TO THE DEDUCTIONS DESCRIBED IN
24	SUBSECTIONS $(1)(a)$, $(1)(b)$, $(1)(c)$, AND $(1)(d)$ OF THIS SECTION, AN INMATE
25	MAY RECEIVE A THREE-DAY MAXIMUM DEDUCTION WHEN THE INMATE
26	TAKES AN UNUSUAL OR EXTRAORDINARY ACTION, AS DETERMINED BY THE
2.7	COUNTY SHERIFF THIS DEDUCTION MAY BE GRANTED ON AN

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INCIDENT-BY-INCIDENT BASIS AND IS NOT SUBJECT TO THE DEDUCTION CA	AP
DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1)(e) OF THIS SECTION.	

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(II) If a county sheriff awards a deduction pursuant to
THIS SUBSECTION (1)(f), HE OR SHE SHALL NOTIFY THE CHIEF JUDGE OF THE
JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF SUCH FACT NOT LATER THAN THREE BUSINESS DAYS
AFTER THE DEDUCTION IS AWARDED. IN PROVIDING SUCH NOTICE, THE
SHERIFF SHALL INDICATE HOW MANY DAYS WERE DEDUCTED AND THE
NATURE OF THE UNUSUAL OR EXTRAORDINARY ACTION TAKEN BY THE
INMATE.

(2) A person who is sentenced to and imprisoned in any county jail of this state or sentenced to pay a fine and costs or either or all thereof may be awarded earned time of up to three days in any thirty-day period at the discretion of the county sheriff for the successful completion of certain designated programs or educational activities, for outstanding progress in any assigned program or activity, or for unusual or extraordinary actions as determined by the county sheriff. Each county sheriff shall develop and implement an earned time program and schedule for use in his or her county jail in accordance with the expectations and standards of the community in which he or she serves. Earned time shall be in addition to good time as allowed in subsection (1) of this section and section 17-26-115 EACH COUNTY SHERIFF SHALL DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A PROGRAM AND SCHEDULE FOR ADMINISTERING REDUCTIONS OF INMATES' SENTENCES IN HIS OR HER COUNTY JAIL, AS DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE EXPECTATIONS AND STANDARDS OF THE COMMUNITY IN WHICH HE OR SHE SERVES. EACH COUNTY JAIL SHALL KEEP A RECORD OF EACH INMATE'S DEDUCTIONS OF TIME AND CHANGES IN DEDUCTIONS OF TIME AS A RESULT OF POLICY VIOLATIONS BY

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1	THE INMATE.
2	(3) (a) If an inmate is found to have committed a willful
3	VIOLATION OF ANY OF THE RULES OR REGULATIONS OF THE JAIL, HE OR SHE
4	MAY FORFEIT SOME OR ALL OF THE DEDUCTIONS FROM HIS OR HER
5	SENTENCE THAT HE OR SHE RECEIVED UP TO THE TIME OF THE VIOLATION,
6	AS DETERMINED BY THE SHERIFF OF THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE JAIL IS
7	SITUATED.
8	(b) IF AN INMATE ESCAPES OR ATTEMPTS TO ESCAPE FROM A JAIL
9	OR AN ALTERNATIVE SENTENCE PROGRAM, HE OR SHE FORFEITS ALL
10	DEDUCTIONS FROM HIS OR HER SENTENCE THAT HE OR SHE RECEIVED UP TO
11	THE TIME OF THE ESCAPE OR ATTEMPTED ESCAPE.
12	(4) An inmate who is sentenced to any alternative
13	SENTENCE PURSUANT TO SECTION 18-1.3-106 ARISING OUT OF A SENTENCE
14	PURSUANT TO SECTION 42-4-1307 (5)(a)(I), (5)(b), OR (6)(a)(I) MAY
15	RECEIVE A SENTENCE DEDUCTION PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION ONLY AFTER
16	SERVING ANY MANDATORY PERIOD OF TIME PURSUANT TO THOSE
17	SECTIONS.
18	(5) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "DAY" MEANS A TWENTY-FOUR HOUR
19	CALENDAR DAY.
20	SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 17-26-107, add (4)
21	and (5) as follows:
22	17-26-107. Prisoners to work - work outside of jail - expenses.
23	(4) EXCEPT AS DESCRIBED BY THE TERMS OF A JUDGMENT, ANY PERSON
24	SENTENCED TO AND CONFINED IN THE COUNTY JAIL SHALL PERFORM
25	LABORS UNDER SUCH RULES AND REGULATIONS AS MAY BE PRESCRIBED BY
26	THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OR SHERIFF OF THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE
27	JAIL IS SITUATED.

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1	(3) UPON THE WRITTEN REQUEST OF A MAJORITY OF THE BOARD OF
2	COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ANY COUNTY, THE SHERIFF SHALL DETAIL
3	SUCH INMATES IN THE COUNTY JAIL AS IN HIS OR HER JUDGMENT SEEMS
4	PROPER, NOT EXCEEDING THE NUMBER SPECIFIED IN THE WRITTEN
5	REQUEST, TO WORK UPON SUCH PUBLIC ROADS AND HIGHWAYS OF THE
6	COUNTY OR STREETS AND ALLEYS OF ANY MUNICIPALITY WITHIN THE
7	COUNTY AS ARE DESIGNATED IN THE WRITTEN REQUEST OF THE COUNTY
8	COMMISSIONERS. THE COUNTY SHALL FURNISH ALL TOOLS AND MATERIALS
9	NECESSARY IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THE WORK. NO SUCH WORK SHALL
10	BE DONE WITHIN THE LIMITS OF A MUNICIPALITY WITHOUT THE CONSENT
11	OF THE PROPER AUTHORITIES THEREOF, BUT WHEN SUCH WORK IS DONE
12	WITHIN THE LIMITS OF A MUNICIPALITY WITHIN SUCH COUNTY, THE
13	MUNICIPALITY WHERE THE WORK IS DONE SHALL PAY ALL ADDITIONAL
14	EXPENSES OF GUARDING THE INMATES WHILE THEY PERFORM THE WORK
15	AND SHALL FURNISH ALL TOOLS AND NECESSARY MATERIALS USED IN THE
16	WORK.
17	SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, repeal 17-26-110 as
18	follows:
19	17-26-110. Forfeiture of good time. In case any such person in
20	the county jail is guilty of willful violation of any of the rules or
21	regulations of the jail and is entitled to any deduction from the time of his
22	sentence by the provisions of section 17-26-109, he shall forfeit the right
23	of such deduction, the violation to be determined by the sheriff of the
24	county in which such jail is situated.
25	SECTION 4. In Colorado Revised Statutes, repeal 17-26-110.5
26	as follows:
27	17-26-110.5. Restriction of privileges because of lawsuit filed

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without justification. (1) If any person is convicted of a crime and		
confined in any county jail and such person files a lawsuit against the		
county or against any county government official, officer, employee, or		
agent, the county may deny any of the privileges allowed to such persor		
if, upon the motion of any party or the court itself, a state or federal cour		
finds that the action, or any part thereof, lacked substantial justification		
was baseless, or was malicious or that the action, or any part thereof, was		
interposed for harassment. As used in this section, "lacked substantial		
justification" has the same meaning as that provided for such term in		
section 13-17-102 (4), C.R.S.		
(2) The county may deny privileges to a person pursuant to		
subsection (1) of this section for a period not to exceed one hundred		
twenty days for any such lawsuit.		
(3) The county may not deny privileges to a person pursuant to the		
provisions of this section if the court determines the lawsuit was asserted		
by the person in a good faith attempt to establish a new theory of law in		
Colorado.		
(4) The county may determine not to deny privileges to a person		
pursuant to the provisions of this section if, after filing the lawsuit, a		
voluntary dismissal of the action is filed within a reasonable time after the		
person filing the dismissal knew, or reasonably should have known, that		
he or she would not prevail in the action.		
SECTION 5. In Colorado Revised Statutes, amend 17-26-111 as		
follows:		
17-26-111. Separate sentences continuous. For the purpose of		

sections SECTION 17-26-109, to 17-26-115, when any such persons

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1	confined in the county jail are sentenced under several convictions, with
2	separate sentences, they shall be construed as one continuous sentence.
3	SECTION 6. In Colorado Revised Statutes, repeal 17-26-112 as
4	follows:
5	17-26-112. Sheriff to keep record. It is the duty of the sheriff of
6	each county to keep a record, in a book for that purpose, of all infractions
7	of the prison rules and regulations, as may be prescribed by law or by
8	him.
9	SECTION 7. In Colorado Revised Statutes, repeal 17-26-113 as
10	follows:
11	17-26-113. Prisoners to work. All persons sentenced to and
12	confined in the county jail under the laws of this state, except such as are
13	precluded by the terms of the judgment, shall perform labors under such
14	rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the county commissioners
15	or sheriff of the county in which such jail is situated.
16	SECTION 8. In Colorado Revised Statutes, repeal 17-26-114 as
17	follows:
18	17-26-114. Work on highways - expenses. Upon the written
19	request of a majority of the board of county commissioners of any county,
20	the sheriff shall detail such persons in the county jail as in his judgment
21	seems proper, not exceeding the number specified in said written request,
22	to work upon such public roads and highways of such county or streets
23	and alleys of any municipality within such county as are designated in
24	said written request of said county commissioners. Such county shall
25	furnish all tools and materials necessary in the performance of said work.
26	No such work shall be done within the limits of a municipality without
27	the consent of the proper authorities thereof, but, when such work is done

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1	within the limits of a municipality within such county, the municipality
2	where said work is done shall pay all additional expenses of guarding
3	such persons while performing said work and shall furnish all tools and
4	necessary materials used in said work.
5	SECTION 9. In Colorado Revised Statutes, repeal 17-26-115 as
6	follows:
7	17-26-115. Trusty prisoners - good time. Persons confined in
8	the county jail, undergoing any sentence in accordance with law, who are
9	engaged in work within or outside the walls of the jail, and who are
10	designated by the sheriff as trusty prisoners, and who conduct themselves
11	in accordance with the rules of the sheriff of the county and perform their
12	work in a creditable manner, upon approval of the sheriff, may be granted
13	such good time, in addition to that allowed in section 17-26-109, as the
14	sheriff may order, not to exceed ten days in any thirty-day period.
15	SECTION 10. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 18-1.3-106, amend
16	(3) and (4); and repeal (12) as follows:
17	18-1.3-106. County jail sentencing alternatives - work,
18	educational, and medical release - home detention - day reporting.
19	(3) The sheriff or the director of an alternative sentencing
20	PROGRAM may endeavor to secure employment for unemployed prisoners
21	under this section. If a prisoner is employed for wages or salary, the
22	sheriff may collect the same or require the prisoner to turn over his or her
23	wages or salary in full when received, and the sheriff shall deposit the
24	same in a trust checking account and shall keep a ledger showing the
25	status of the account of each prisoner.
26	(4) Every prisoner gainfully employed shall be liable for the cost
27	of his or her board in the jail or the cost of the supervision and

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administrative services if he or she is home-detained, as fixed by the board of county commissioners. If necessarily absent from jail at mealtime, he or she shall, at his or her request, be furnished with an adequate nourishing lunch to carry to work. The sheriff OR THE DIRECTOR OF THE ALTERNATIVE SENTENCING PROGRAM, AS MAY BE APPLICABLE, shall charge his or her account, if he or she has one, for such board. If the prisoner is gainfully self-employed, he or she shall pay the sheriff OR THE DIRECTOR OF THE ALTERNATIVE SENTENCING PROGRAM for such board, in default of which his or her privilege under this section shall be IS automatically forfeited. If the jail food is furnished directly by the county, the sheriff or the director of the alternative sentencing program shall account for and pay over such board payments to the county treasurer. The board of county commissioners may, by resolution, provide that the county furnish or pay for the transportation of prisoners employed under this section to and from the place of employment. The sheriff OR THE DIRECTOR OF THE ALTERNATIVE SENTENCING PROGRAM shall reimburse the county or other disbursing agent for all such expenses incurred in accordance with this section and article 26 of title 17, C.R.S., as soon as adequate funds are available in the prisoner's account and in accordance with paragraph (b) of subsection (5) SUBSECTION (5)(b) of this section.

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(12) Persons sentenced to the county jail as a direct sentence or sentenced to the county jail as a condition of probation who are permitted to participate in work, educational, medical release, home detention, or day reporting programs pursuant to subsection (1) of this section shall receive one day credit against their sentences for each day spent in such programs. As used in this section, "day reporting program" means an

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1 alternative correctional sentence wherein a defendant is allowed to serve 2 his or her sentence by reporting daily to a central location wherein the 3 defendant is supervised in court-ordered activities. 4 **SECTION 11.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-4-1307, amend 5 (5)(a) introductory portion, (5)(a)(I), (6)(a) introductory portion, and 6 (6)(a)(I) introductory portion; and **repeal** (5)(c) and (6)(b) as follows: 7 42-4-1307. Penalties for traffic offenses involving alcohol and 8 drugs - legislative declaration - definitions - repeal. (5) Second 9 **offenses.** (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (6) of this 10 section, a person who is convicted of DUI, DUI per se, or DWAI who, at 11 the time of sentencing, has a prior conviction of DUI, DUI per se, DWAI, 12 vehicular homicide pursuant to section 18-3-106 (1)(b), C.R.S., vehicular 13 assault pursuant to section 18-3-205 (1)(b), C.R.S., aggravated driving 14 with a revoked license pursuant to section 42-2-206 (1)(b)(I)(A) or 15 (1)(b)(I)(B), as that crime existed before August 5, 2015, or driving while 16 the person's driver's license was under restraint pursuant to section 17 42-2-138 (1)(d), shall be punished by: 18 (I) Imprisonment in the county jail for at least ten consecutive 19 days but no more than one year; except that the court shall have discretion 20 to employ the sentencing alternatives described in section 18-1.3-106. 21 C.R.S. During the mandatory ten-day period of imprisonment, the person 22 shall IS not be eligible for earned time or good time DEDUCTIONS OF HIS 23 OR HER SENTENCE pursuant to section 17-26-109, C.R.S., or for trusty 24 prisoner status pursuant to section 17-26-115, C.R.S. SECTION 17-26-109 25 (1)(c); except that the person shall receive RECEIVES credit for any time 26 that he or she served in custody for the violation prior to his or her 27 conviction.

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(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 18-1.3-106 (12), C.R.S., if, pursuant to paragraph (a) or (b) of this subsection (5), a court allows a person to participate in a program pursuant to section 18-1.3-106, C.R.S., the person shall not receive one day credit against his or her sentence for each day spent in such a program, as provided in said section 18-1.3-106 (12), C.R.S.

- (6) **Third and subsequent offenses.** (a) Except as provided in section 42-4-1301 (1)(a), (1)(b), and (2)(a), a person who is convicted of DUI, DUI per se, or DWAI who, at the time of sentencing, has two or more prior convictions of DUI, DUI per se, DWAI, vehicular homicide pursuant to section 18-3-106 (1)(b), C.R.S., vehicular assault pursuant to section 18-3-205 (1)(b), C.R.S., aggravated driving with a revoked license pursuant to section 42-2-206 (1)(b)(I)(A) or (1)(b)(I)(B), as that crime existed before August 5, 2015, or driving while the person's driver's license was under restraint pursuant to section 42-2-138 (1)(d) shall be punished by:
- (I) Imprisonment in the county jail for at least sixty consecutive days but no more than one year. During the mandatory sixty-day period of imprisonment, the person shall IS not be eligible for earned time or good time DEDUCTIONS OF HIS OR HER SENTENCE pursuant to section 17-26-109, C.R.S., or for trusty prisoner status pursuant to section 17-26-115, C.R.S. SECTION 17-26-109 (1)(c); except that a person shall receive RECEIVES credit for any time that he or she served in custody for the violation prior to his or her conviction. During the mandatory period of imprisonment, the court shall DOES not have any discretion to employ any sentencing alternatives described in section 18-1.3-106; C.R.S.; except that the person may participate in a program pursuant to section

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18-1.3-106(1)(a)(II), (1)(a)(IV), or (1)(a)(V), C.R.S., only if the program is available through the county in which the person is imprisoned and only for the purpose of:

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 18-1.3-106 (12), C.R.S., if, pursuant to paragraph (a) of this subsection (6), a court allows a person to participate in a program pursuant to section 18-1.3-106 (1)(a)(II), (1)(a)(IV), or (1)(a)(V), C.R.S., the person shall not receive one day credit against his or her sentence for each day spent in such a program, as provided in said section 18-1.3-106 (12), C.R.S.

SECTION 12. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 9, 2017, if adjournment sine die is on May 10, 2017); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2018 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

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