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SENATE BILL 20-085

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING A REQUIREMENT THAT A SEX OFFENDER BEING PLACED
102 IN A COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROGRAM MEET CERTAIN
103 REQUIREMENTS FOR A SEX OFFENDER BEING RELEASED ON
104 PAROLE.

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 clarifies that an offender sentenced pursuant to the "Colorado Sex Offender Lifetime Supervision Act of 1998" may be released to a community corrections program only if the offender meets

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certain requirements for an offender being released on parole including that:

- ! The offender has successfully progressed in treatment and would not pose a threat to the community if released to community corrections;
- ! There is a strong and reasonable probability that the offender would not thereafter violate the law; and
- ! After considering criteria established by the sex offender management board and other factors, the executive director finds that release to community corrections is appropriate.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 18-1.3-301, **add**
3 (2)(f) as follows:

4 **18-1.3-301. Authority to place offenders in community**
5 **corrections programs. (2) (f) Requirements for sex offenders.**

6 (I) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW TO THE CONTRARY,
7 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS SHALL
8 NOT TRANSFER AN OFFENDER SENTENCED PURSUANT TO THE "COLORADO
9 SEX OFFENDER LIFETIME SUPERVISION ACT OF 1998", PART 10 OF THIS
10 ARTICLE 1.3, UNLESS:

11 (A) THE OFFENDER HAS SUCCESSFULLY PROGRESSED IN
12 TREATMENT AND WOULD NOT POSE AN UNDUE THREAT TO THE
13 COMMUNITY IF TRANSFERRED TO A COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROGRAM
14 UNDER APPROPRIATE TREATMENT AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS; AND

15 (B) THERE IS A STRONG AND REASONABLE PROBABILITY THAT THE
16 OFFENDER WOULD NOT THEREAFTER VIOLATE THE LAW.

17 (II) IN MAKING THE DETERMINATION PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION
18 (2)(f)(I) OF THIS SECTION, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT
19 OF CORRECTIONS SHALL CONSIDER THE CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY THE SEX
20 OFFENDER MANAGEMENT BOARD PURSUANT TO SECTION 18-1.3-1009 AND

1 ANY OTHER RELEVANT FACTORS.

2 **SECTION 2. Applicability.** This act applies to the transfer of
3 offenders on or after the effective date of this act.

4 **SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
5 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
6 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.