

HOUSE MESSAGE SUMMARY

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Bill Subject: Inmate/Parole Release Date

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I. Amendments Contained in Message

House Amendment 1 (body with title)

II. Summary of Amendments Contained in Message

House Amendment 1 only deletes one of the changes the House first made in its strike everything amendment. When the Senate refused to concur with the House “strike-everything” amendment, Senator Crist stated that he wanted the parole interview and reinterview intervals to be expanded to 5 years for all parole-eligible inmates.

This new amendment only deletes the authority for a parole interview to occur in less than a 5-year interval if an inmate is sick, exceptional circumstances exist, etc. The House’s amendments that expand interviews to every 5 years for murder, sexual battery, and other offenses with a 25-year minimum mandatory. IT DOES NOT CHANGE TO 5-YEAR INTERVALS FOR ALL.