

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2023 and 2024 HB3335

Introduced 2/17/2023, by Rep. Kevin John Olickal

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

730 ILCS 5/3-14-4.6 new

Amends the Unified Code of Corrections. Provides that the Department of Corrections may provide temporary housing assistance for a person being released from a correctional institution or facility of the Department of Corrections through the use of rental vouchers, for a period not to exceed 6 months, if the Department finds that such assistance will support the person's release into the community by preventing housing instability or homelessness. Provides that a person may not receive a combined total of rental vouchers in excess of 6 months for each release from a correctional institution or facility of the Department of Corrections. Provides that the Department of Corrections shall establish policies for prioritizing funds available for housing vouchers for persons at risk of becoming homeless or becoming homeless without assistance while taking into account risk to reoffend.

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1 AN ACT concerning criminal law.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Unified Code of Corrections is amended by adding Section 3-14-4.6 as follows:
- 6 (730 ILCS 5/3-14-4.6 new)
- Sec. 3-14-4.6. Rental vouchers for persons released from

 Department correctional institutions and facilities.
- 9 (a) The Department of Corrections may provide temporary housing assistance for a person being released from a 10 correctional institution or facility of the Department of 11 12 Corrections through the use of rental vouchers, for a period not to exceed 6 months, if the Department finds that such 13 14 assistance will support the person's release into the community by preventing housing instability or homelessness. A 15 16 person may not receive a combined total of rental vouchers in excess of 6 months for each release from a correctional 17 institution or facility of the Department of Corrections. 18
 - (b) The Department of Corrections shall establish policies

 for prioritizing funds available for housing vouchers under

 this Section for persons at risk of becoming homeless or

 becoming homeless without assistance while taking into account

 risk to reoffend.