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REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, MAY 18, 2020

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in Commonwealth services, further
3 providing for general authority of Governor.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 7301(f) of Title 35 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding paragraphs to read:
8 § 7301. General authority of Governor.

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10 (f) Additional powers.--In addition to any other powers
11 conferred upon the Governor by law, the Governor may:

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13 (7.1) Control under paragraph (7), when applied to
14 individuals in a State correctional facility, shall require
15 successful completion of all prescribed Department of
16 Corrections programs prior to release or transfer.

17 (7.2) The Department of Corrections shall develop
18 temporary guidelines until the department has promulgated and

1 finalized regulations as follows:

2 (i) Develop a process and procedure for the
3 supervision of all released inmates under paragraph (7)
4 including, but not be limited to:

5 (A) exclusion of an inmate convicted of or who
6 has a prior conviction involving a personal injury
7 crime as defined under section 103 of the act of
8 November 24, 1998 (P.L.882, No.111), known as the
9 Crime Victims Act, a crime listed under 42 Pa.C.S. §
10 9714(g) (relating to sentences for second and
11 subsequent offenses), 42 Pa.C.S. Ch. 97 Subch. H
12 (relating to registration of sexual offenders) or I
13 (relating to continued registration of sexual
14 offenders) or any other crime involving domestic or
15 sexual abuse or violence or involving child abuse.

16 (B) monitoring of inmates using an electronic
17 global positioning system or other monitoring;

18 (C) drug and alcohol testing;

19 (D) scope and depth of supervision; and

20 (E) physical location and any exceptions;

21 (ii) How the department will address domestic
22 violence, sexual violence and child abuse when
23 considering placement.

24 (iii) Develop a process and procedure for notifying
25 victims consistent with the Crime Victims Act.

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27 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.