AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESS TO RECORDS BY PERSONS WHO ARE INJURED WHILE IN THE CUSTODY OF THE COMMISSIONER OF CORRECTION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2019) An inmate, his or her legal representative or the legal representative of the estate of an inmate, who provides a written request for documents to the Commissioner of Correction in connection with a fatal injury suffered by the inmate while incarcerated or an injury that resulted in the inmate suffering a permanent disability while incarcerated, may receive all personnel, protocol or policy reviews, medical files, medical reviews, corrective action plans or summary reports in the possession of the Department of Correction that are relevant to such request. The Commissioner of Correction shall ensure that such documentary materials are provided to the inmate, his or her legal representative or the legal representative of the estate of an inmate not later than sixty days after the date of receipt of the written request, unless the disclosure of the documentary materials is otherwise prohibited by state or federal law. The Commissioner of Correction shall adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes to implement the provisions of this section. Such regulations shall include (1) a process for resolving any dispute concerning the production of documentary materials by the
Department of Correction under this section, and (2) a delineation of
the fees, if any, that the Department of Correction may impose when
complying with a request for documentary materials under this
section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following
sections:

| Section 1 | October 1, 2019 | New section |

**JUD** Joint Favorable Subst.