

Substitute Senate Bill No. 349

Special Act No. 24-14

AN ACT CONCERNING AN ASSESSMENT OF MEANS TO SCREEN INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE INCARCERATED FOR DYSLEXIA.

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

Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Department of Correction shall assess and consider means to screen for dyslexia (1) all persons who are sentenced to a period of incarceration, and (2) those persons who have not been convicted or sentenced who are in the custody of the Commissioner of Correction for a period that is longer than six months. At the discretion of the commissioner, the department may also consider means to screen the persons described in subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection for other learning disabilities.

(b) Not later than December 11, 2024, the commissioner shall report in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes the findings of the assessment conducted pursuant to subsection (a) of this section and any recommendations for legislation to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the Department of Correction.

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