

SENATE BILL NO. 622

September 01, 2021, Introduced by Senators SANTANA, GEISS, BAYER, WOJNO, POLEHANKI, IRWIN, MOSS, BULLOCK, CHANG and HOLLIER and referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

A bill to amend 1953 PA 232, entitled
"Corrections code of 1953,"
by amending section 83 (MCL 791.283), as amended by 2016 PA 344.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 83. (1) The department shall provide all of the following
2 to a **qualified** prisoner who is discharged from custody prior to his
3 or her maximum discharge date without being granted parole because
4 his or her conviction or sentence has been reversed, vacated, or
5 overturned:

1 (a) Reentry services ~~, excluding reentry housing,~~ **including,**
2 **but not limited to, mental health and employment support,**
3 consistent with the services received by parolees in this state.
4 ~~for a period not to exceed 2 years following the date of his or her~~
5 ~~discharge.~~

6 (b) Reentry housing, consistent with the transitional housing
7 provided to parolees in this state. ~~for a period not to exceed 1~~
8 ~~year following the date of his or her discharge.~~

9 (c) Vital documents, including, but not limited to, the
10 prisoner's birth certificate.

11 (d) **Assistance in applying for and enrolling in Medicaid,**
12 **Medicare, or other public assistance as that term is defined in**
13 **section 10a of the social welfare act, 1939 PA 280, MCL 400.10a.**

14 (2) The department shall assign staff to ensure that a
15 prisoner eligible for the services and documents described in
16 subsection (1) is provided with those services and documents in a
17 timely manner.

18 (3) A prisoner who received the reentry services described in
19 subsection (1) and whose conviction is subsequently reinstated or
20 who is resentenced and returned to the custody of the department
21 for the same conviction that was previously reversed, vacated, or
22 overturned entitling him or her to the services described in
23 subsection (1) shall repay the department for all reentry services
24 he or she received under subsection (1). **The department shall**
25 **determine the** amount owed by a prisoner under this subsection.
26 ~~shall be determined by the department.~~

27 (4) **As used in this section, "qualified prisoner" means an**
28 **individual making a claim for compensation but who has not yet**
29 **received a compensation award under the wrongful imprisonment**

1 compensation act, 2016 PA 343, MCL 691.1751 to 691.1757.