

Subject Indeterminate Sentence Release Board established

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Summary

Section	Description
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1	Indeterminate Sentence Release Board.
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Establishes the Indeterminate Sentence Release Board and describes the members and duties.

Subd. 1. Establishment; members. Establishes a board, the Indeterminate Sentence Release Board, to review eligible cases and make release determinations for inmates serving indeterminate sentences. States that the board consists of five members including the commissioner of corrections and four individuals appointed by the governor from recommendations by the majority and minority leaders of each legislative body. Establishes minimum criteria for the members.

Subd. 2. Terms; compensation. Provides that members of the board serve four-year staggered terms except that two initial members will be appointed to two-year terms. Provides for compensation and removal consistent with Minnesota Statutes, section 15.0575.

Subd. 3. Quorum; administrative duties. States that a majority of members constitutes a quorum. Directs the commissioner of corrections to provide administrative services, meeting space, and other administrative support.

Subd. 4. Limitation. Asserts that nothing in the new section of law supersedes the commissioner of corrections' ability to revoke an inmate's release or the authority of the Board of Pardons to grant a pardon or commute a sentence.

Subd. 5. Report. Requires the board to submit a report regarding inmates reviewed and identifying individuals granted release. Further directs the board to make recommendations for legislative action.

2	Rules.
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Conforming amendment.

Section	Description
3	<p>Supervised release, life sentence.</p> <p>Authorizes the board, by majority vote, to grant supervised release to inmates serving life sentences, transfers other powers currently granted to the commissioner to the board, defines “board” as the Indeterminate Sentence Release Board established in section 1 of the bill, and defines “constructive parole” for purposes of this section.</p>
4	<p>Reviser instruction.</p> <p>Directs the revisor to update statutory references to reflect changes to the inmate release process proposed in section 3.</p>



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