Adopted AMENDMENT NO 0 PROPOSED TO

Senate Bill No. 2051

BY: Committee

Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

- 7 **SECTION 1.** Section 47-5-940, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 8 amended as follows:
- 9 47-5-940. (1) (a) The Department of Corrections may
- 10 contract with the Bolivar County Regional Facility for a five-year
- 11 pilot program dedicated to an intensive and comprehensive alcohol
- 12 and other drug treatment program for not more than two hundred
- 13 fifty (250) inmates. The Bolivar County Regional Facility shall
- 14 have the option of canceling the contract for the drug treatment
- 15 program after giving the Department of Corrections thirty (30)
- 16 days' notice of its intent to cancel. The program shall be a



- 17 prison-based treatment program designed to reduce substance abuse
- 18 by inmates, correct dysfunctional thinking and behavioral
- 19 patterns, and prepare inmates to make a successful and crime-free
- 20 readjustment to the community.
- 21 (b) The Department of Corrections shall reimburse the
- 22 Bolivar County Regional Facility at the per diem rate allowed
- 23 under Section 47-5-933.
- 24 (2) (a) An inmate who is within eighteen (18) months of his
- 25 earned release date or parole date may be placed in the program.
- 26 (b) The Department of Corrections shall remove any
- 27 inmate within seventy-two (72) hours after being notified by the
- 28 Bolivar County Regional Facility that the inmate is violent or
- 29 refuses to participate in the drug treatment program.
- 30 (3) The program shall consist, but is not limited to, the
- 31 following components:
- 32 (a) An assessment and placement component using a
- 33 recidivism needs assessment of the inmates.
- 34 (b) An intensive and comprehensive treatment and
- 35 rehabilitation component which addresses the specific drug or
- 36 alcohol problem of the inmate. This component shall include
- 37 relapse prevention strategies and anger management strategies.
- 38 (c) An aftercare post-release component that has a
- 39 specific transition plan for each inmate. The transition plan
- 40 must address specific post-release needs such as employment,
- 41 housing, medical care, relapse prevention and treatment. The plan

- 42 shall require personnel to assist the inmate with these needs and
- 43 to assist in finding community-based programs for the inmate. The
- 44 plan shall require the inmate to be tracked in at least thirty-day
- 45 intervals to measure compliance with his established transition
- 46 plan.
- 47 (d) A monitoring assessment of recidivism containing
- 48 post-release history of substance abuse, breaches of trust,
- 49 arrests, convictions, employment, community functioning, and
- 50 marital and family interaction.
- 51 (4) The department shall file a report annually on the
- 52 program with specific data on recidivism of inmates including the
- 53 data required in subsection (3)(d).
- 54 (5) The program authorized under this section may be renewed
- 55 if it meets performance requirements as may be determined by the
- 56 Legislature.
- 57 (6) This section shall be repealed on July 1, \star * 2029.
- 58 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 59 and after June 30, 2025.

Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

- AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 47-5-940, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
- 2 TO EXTEND THE DATE OF THE REPEALER ON THE AUTHORITY OF THE
- 3 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS TO CONTRACT WITH THE BOLIVAR COUNTY
- 4 REGIONAL FACILITY FOR A DRUG AND ALCOHOL TREATMENT PROGRAM; AND
- 5 FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

