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AMENDMENT No. 1 TO AMENDMENT No. 1 PROPOSED TO

House Bill NO. 778

By Senator(s) Smith

1 **AMEND by inserting the following section after line 187 and**
2 **renumber the succeeding section:**

3 **SECTION ***. (1) The Department of Corrections shall
4 establish a five-year pilot program at the Bolivar County Regional
5 Facility to provide up to two hundred fifty (250) beds dedicated
6 to an intensive and comprehensive alcohol and other drug treatment
7 program for inmates. The department shall establish guidelines
8 for the program consistent with the mission of public safety. The
9 program shall be a prison-based treatment program designed to
10 reduce substance abuse by inmates, correct dysfunctional thinking
11 and behavioral patterns, and prepare inmates to make a successful
12 and crime-free readjustment to the community.

13 (2) (a) The department may contract with public, private or
14 nonprofit organizations to develop, operate and administer the
15 treatment program. If the department contracts for the private
16 operation of the program, the department shall reimburse the
17 private contractor at the per diem rate allowed regional
18 facilities under Section 47-5-933.

19 (b) An inmate who is within eighteen (18) months of his
20 earned release date or parole date may be placed in the program.

21 (3) The program shall consist, but is not limited to, the
22 following components:

23 (a) An assessment and placement component using a

24 recidivism needs assessment of the inmates;
25 (b) An intensive and comprehensive treatment and
26 rehabilitation component which addresses the specific drug or
27 alcohol problem of the inmate. This component shall include
28 relapse prevention strategies, anger management strategies and
29 regimented discipline strategies.

30 (c) An aftercare post-release component that has a
31 specific transition plan for each inmate. The transition plan
32 must address specific post-release needs such as employment,
33 housing, medical care, relapse prevention and treatment. The plan
34 shall require personnel to assist the inmate with these needs and
35 to assist in finding community-based programs for the inmate. The
36 plan shall require the inmate to be tracked in at least thirty-day
37 intervals to measure compliance with his established transition
38 plan.

39 (d) A monitoring assessment of recidivism containing
40 post-release history of substance abuse, breaches of trust,
41 arrests, convictions, employment, community functioning, and
42 marital and family interaction.

43 (4) The department shall file a report annually on the
44 program with specific data on recidivism of inmates including the
45 data required in subsection (3)(d).

46 (5) The program authorized under this section may be renewed
47 if it meets performance requirements as may be determined by the
48 Legislature.

49 (6) This section shall repeal on January 1, 2008.

50 **FURTHER, AMEND the title on line 4 after the semicolon and
51 insert the following:**

52 TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS TO CONDUCT A PILOT
53 PROGRAM FOR INTENSIVE AND COMPREHENSIVE ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG
54 TREATMENT FOR INMATES AT THE BOLIVAR COUNTY REGIONAL FACILITY; TO
55 PLACE CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS ON THE PROGRAM; TO REQUIRE AFTER-CARE
56 MONITORING, SERVICES AND TRANSITION PLAN FOR INMATES; TO REQUIRE
57 RECIDIVISM REPORTS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPEAL OF THIS SECTION;