

Regular Session, 2014

SENATE BILL NO. 35

BY SENATOR MORRISH

CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES. Repeals certain accreditation requirements for facilities providing housing or temporary residence to individuals referred by judicial agencies. (8/1/14)

1 AN ACT

2 To repeal R.S. 40:2852(D), relative to judicial agency referral residential facilities; to repeal  
3 the accreditation requirement; and to provide for related matters.

4 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

5 Section 1. R.S. 40:2852(D) is hereby repealed.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Cathy Wells.

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DIGEST

Present law requires that any facility, including pretrial diversion facilities, not otherwise required to be licensed by DHH or DCFS, that provides housing or temporary residence for individuals who have been arrested for the commission of a crime and who are referred by any judicial agency be:

- (1) Regulated by rules adopted and enforced by DPS&C for the operation of such facilities.
- (2) Inspected and certified by DPS&C prior to providing housing or temporary residence to any individual.
- (3) Accredited by the American Correctional Association (ACA) within 24 months of opening as a judicial agency referral residential facility and maintain such accreditation by the ACA at all times thereafter.

Proposed law repeals the accreditation requirement by the ACA.

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(Repeals R.S. 40:2852(D))