

1 H.224

2 Introduced by Representative Taylor of Colchester

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Corrections; Department of Corrections; annual report

6 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to require the  
7 Commissioner of Corrections to submit an annual report to the House  
8 Committee on Corrections and Institutions with requested data and information  
9 on the year-to-year performance of Department initiatives. The Commissioner  
10 shall consult annually with two members of the Committee to determine what  
11 information is required to be in the report the following year. The reporting  
12 requirement ceases on July 1, 2025.

13 An act relating to creating a Department of Corrections annual reporting  
14 requirement

15 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

16 Sec. 1. 28 V.S.A. § 123 is added to read:

17 § 123. CORRECTIONS INITIATIVES AND DATA REQUESTS; REPORT

18 (a) On or before January 15 of each year, the Commissioner of Corrections  
19 shall submit an annual report to the House Committee on Corrections and  
20 Institutions on requested data and information regarding the year-to-year

1 performance of Department initiatives. The format and content of the data  
2 included in the report shall be determined pursuant to the process set forth in  
3 subsection (b) of this section.

4 (b)(1) Beginning on February 1, 2022 and each year thereafter, the Chair of  
5 the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions (Committee) shall  
6 appoint two members of the Committee to consult with the Commissioner of  
7 Corrections to identify the data and information that shall be included in the  
8 Department's annual report described in subsection (a) of this section in the  
9 following year.

10 (2) The content of the report shall be determined by reviewing previous  
11 reports and assessing the relevance of data and information therein. The  
12 Committee may require the inclusion of additional existing Department of  
13 Corrections data in subsequent reports.

14 Sec. 2. REPEAL

15 28 V.S.A. § 123 (Corrections Initiatives; Report) is repealed on February 1,  
16 2026.

17 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

18 This act shall take effect on passage.