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Introduced by Representatives Terenzini of Rutland Town, Beyor of Highgate,  
Branagan of Georgia, Burditt of West Rutland, Canfield of  
Fair Haven, Cupoli of Rutland City, Devereux of Mount Holly,  
Donaghy of Poultney, Gage of Rutland City, Helm of  
Fair Haven, Hoyt of Norwich, Huntley of Cavendish, Johnson  
of Canaan, Juskiewicz of Cambridge, Malcolm of Pawlet, Mook  
of Bennington, Myers of Essex, Quimby of Concord, Russell of  
Rutland City, Savage of Swanton, Shaw of Pittsford, Van Wyck  
of Ferrisburgh, and Winters of Williamstown

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Crimes and criminal procedure; breach of the peace; assault of  
correctional officer

Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to require the  
Commissioner of Corrections to report the number of assaults by offenders  
against correctional officers, staff, and other persons lawfully present in a  
correctional facility.

An act relating to reporting of assaults on correctional officers

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

2 Sec. 1. 13 V.S.A. § 1028a(e) is added to read:

3 (e) The Commissioner of Corrections shall report quarterly to the House  
4 Committees on Corrections and Institutions, on Judiciary, and on Government  
5 Operations; the Senate Committees on Judiciary and on Government  
6 Operations; and to the Corrections bargaining unit of the Vermont State  
7 Employees' Association on the total number of reported assaults in the  
8 previous three months by offenders against correctional officers, correctional  
9 staff, and any person lawfully present in a correctional facility. The report  
10 shall indicate the percentage of the total number of reported assaults that  
11 received criminal prosecution and the percentage that received administrative  
12 penalties.

13 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

14 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2014.