

Amend **CSHB 1** (house committee printing) in Article V of the bill, following the appropriations to the Department of Criminal Justice, by adding the following appropriately numbered rider:

____. Study of Halfway Houses. (a) Out of the funds appropriated above, the Department of Criminal Justice shall conduct a study regarding halfway houses and the extent to which they operate in a discriminatory manner. The study must include:

- (1) the number of halfway houses in this state;
- (2) the location of each halfway house;
- (3) a comparison between the number of halfway houses located in urban areas and rural areas; and
- (4) the racial makeup of the population of each halfway house.

(b) Not later than December 31, 2016, the department shall report the results of the study to:

- (1) the governor;
- (2) the lieutenant governor;
- (3) the speaker of the house of representatives;
- (4) the Legislative Budget Board; and
- (5) each standing committee of the senate and house of representatives having primary jurisdiction over matters relating to corrections.