

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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1 State of Arkansas
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As Engrossed: S2/22/05

A Bill

SENATE BILL 385

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5 By: Senator Luker
6 By: Representatives Bond, D. Johnson

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9 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

10 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AN EARLY RELEASE PROGRAM FOR
11 OFFENDERS TO TRANSITIONAL HOUSING FACILITIES; AND
12 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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14 **Subtitle**

15 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AN EARLY RELEASE
16 PROGRAM FOR OFFENDERS TO TRANSITIONAL
17 HOUSING FACILITIES.

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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 16, Chapter 93, Subchapter 2 is amended
23 to add an additional section to read as follows:

24 16-93-211. Early release to transitional housing facilities.

25 (a) As used in this section, "transitional housing" means a program
26 that provides housing for one (1) or more offenders who have either been
27 transferred or paroled from the Department of Correction by the Post Prison
28 Transfer Board or placed on probation by a circuit or district court. An
29 offender's home or the residence of an offender's family member shall not be
30 considered a transitional housing facility for purposes of this section.

31 (b)(1) To assist offenders who will be eligible for parole or transfer
32 to successfully reintegrate into the community, the Post Prison Transfer
33 Board is authorized to place the offenders into approved transitional housing
34 up to one (1) year prior to the offenders' dates of eligibility for parole or
35 transfer.



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