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SUMMARY

- Requires every county correctional facility, municipal correctional facility, and state correctional institution to report the pregnancy outcome of each pregnant inmate to the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction (DRC).

DETAILED ANALYSIS

Reporting pregnancy outcomes to DRC

The bill requires every “county correctional facility,” “municipal correctional facility,” and “state correctional institution” to report the pregnancy outcome of each pregnant inmate to DRC at the conclusion of the inmate’s pregnancy. Each county correctional facility, municipal correctional facility, and state correctional institution must comply with the bill’s provisions by no later than December 31 of each year.¹

Definitions

The bill defines the following:

- **“County correctional facility”** means a county jail, county workhouse, minimum security jail, joint city and county workhouse, municipal-county correctional center, multicounty-municipal correctional center, municipal-county jail or workhouse, or multicounty-municipal jail or workhouse.²
- **“Municipal correctional facility”** means a municipal jail, municipal workhouse, minimum security jail, joint city and county workhouse, municipal-county correctional center,

¹ R.C. 341.28(B), 753.34(B), and 5120.6511(B).

² R.C. 341.28(A).

multicounty-municipal correctional center, municipal county jail or workhouse, or multicounty-municipal jail or workhouse.³

- **“State correctional institution”** includes any institution or facility that is operated by DRC and that is used for the custody, care, or treatment of criminal, delinquent, or psychologically or psychiatrically disturbed offenders.⁴

HISTORY

Action	Date
Introduced	10-22-25

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³ R.C. 753.34(A).

⁴ R.C. 5120.6511(A) , by reference to R.C. 2967.01(A), not in the bill.