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S 1499. DOC REENTRY FUNDS. Filed 3/26/07. *TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO ESTABLISH A COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM FOR LOCAL COMMUNITIES TO DEVELOP PROPOSALS FOR EFFECTIVE PRISONER REENTRY AND TRANSITION BACK INTO THE COMMUNITY, TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO INCREASE ACCESS TO SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES IN THE STATE PRISON SYSTEM, AND TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION TO STUDY METHODS FOR INCREASING INMATES' ACCESS TO EDUCATIONAL AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING AND INCREASING PARTICIPATION IN WORK RELEASE PROGRAMS*.

Appropriates $500,000 for 2007-08 from the General Fund to the Department of Correction (DOC) for a grant program as title indicates. Grants are capped at $125,000 each and must be awarded by February 1, 2008. Appropriates $200,000 for 2007-08 from the General Fund to DOC to increase access to substance abuse services in the prison system. Directs DOC to conduct a study as title indicates and report to legislative committees by May 1, 2008. Effective July 1, 2007.

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