

HB 207 -- Restorative Justice Programs

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This bill allows a county commission to establish a restorative justice program in the county or regional jail whereby offenders will be required to offer acts and expressions of sincere remorse for the crimes they committed. Program requirements may include community service work and participation in victim-oriented programs. Completion of a restorative justice program may entitle the offender to an early discharge after three-fourths of his or her full sentence is served. Violation of the terms of the program may require, at the discretion of the sentencing court, the prisoner to complete the entire balance of his or her jail sentence in actual confinement. For the purpose of liability, any person performing services under the restorative justice program will not be deemed an employee as it relates to Missouri law.