

HB 1764 -- Salary Increases for Corrections Officers

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This bill authorizes the Director of the Department of Corrections to prescribe policies providing for salary increases for corrections officers. The department director must submit, prior to January 1, an annual salary schedule report to the Governor, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and President Pro Tem of the Senate which includes matters deemed pertinent to the department director and a comparison of the salaries of corrections officers in Iowa, Illinois, and Kentucky. The Governor may make additional recommendations to the report and forward them to the Speaker and the President Pro Tem. The Speaker and the President Pro Tem may assign the salary schedule to the appropriate standing committees to review the comparisons to insure that parity in the salary of the three contiguous states is maintained.

The service of a corrections officer who has served in the armed forces of the United States and who has subsequently been reinstated as a corrections officer within 90 days after receiving a discharge other than dishonorable must be considered service with the department except that no officer can be entitled to any credit, privilege, or benefit provided under Chapter 217, RSMo, if he or she voluntarily extends or participates in an extension of the period of service beyond the period for which he or she was originally commissioned, enlisted, inducted, or called.