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Increasing Offender Employment Opportunities**

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STUDY ASSIGNMENT: The study committee is directed to review existing impediments to employment and job training for individuals who are incarcerated or recently released and to recommend legislation following its review. The committee shall explore ways to expand connections between private employers and potential employees who are incarcerated in state institutions or on extended supervision, explore vocational earned release programs for possible implementation, consider release location flexibility based on employment opportunities, and evaluate other methods for improving job prospects for the offender population.

11 MEMBERS: 2 Senators; 4 Representatives; and 5 Public Members.

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