## NEVADA SENTENCING COMMISSION SUPPORTING MATERIALS FOR APRIL 13, 2020 MEETING

## Agenda Item 3A:

NRS 209.3925 Residential confinement or other appropriate supervision of offenders who are physically incapacitated or in ill health: Eligibility; duration; notice; notification to victim; effect of violation of terms or conditions; status; restitution. [Effective through June 30, 2020.]

- 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, the Director may assign an offender to the custody of the Division of Parole and Probation of the Department of Public Safety to serve a term of residential confinement pursuant to <a href="NRS 213.380">NRS 213.380</a> or other appropriate supervision as determined by the Division of Parole and Probation, for not longer than the remainder of his or her sentence, if:
  - (a) The Director has reason to believe that the offender is:
- (1) Physically incapacitated or in ill health to such a degree that the offender does not presently, and likely will not in the future, pose a threat to the safety of the public; or
- (2) In ill health and expected to die within 12 months, and does not presently, and likely will not in the future, pose a threat to the safety of the public; and
- (b) At least two physicians licensed pursuant to <u>chapter 630</u> or <u>633</u> of NRS, one of whom is not employed by the Department, verify, in writing, that the offender is:
  - (1) Physically incapacitated or in ill health; or
  - (2) In ill health and expected to die within 12 months.
- 2. If the Director intends to assign an offender to the custody of the Division of Parole and Probation pursuant to this section, at least 45 days before the date the offender is expected to be released from the custody of the Department, the Director shall notify:
- (a) The board of county commissioners of the county in which the offender will reside; and
  - (b) The Division of Parole and Probation.
- 3. Except as otherwise provided in <u>NRS 213.10915</u>, if any victim of a crime committed by the offender has, pursuant to subsection 4 of <u>NRS 213.131</u>, requested to be notified of the consideration of a prisoner for parole and has provided a current address, the Division of Parole and Probation shall notify the victim that:
- (a) The Director intends to assign the offender to the custody of the Division of Parole and Probation pursuant to this section; and
- (b) The victim may submit documents to the Division of Parole and Probation regarding such an assignment.
- Ê If a current address has not been provided by a victim as required by subsection 4 of <u>NRS 213.131</u>, the Division of Parole and Probation must not be held responsible if notification is not received by the victim. All personal information, including, but not limited to, a current or former address, which pertains to a victim and which is received by the Division of Parole and Probation pursuant to this subsection is confidential.
- 4. If an offender assigned to the custody of the Division of Parole and Probation pursuant to this section escapes or violates any of the terms or conditions of his or her

residential confinement or other appropriate supervision as determined by the Division of Parole and Probation:

- (a) The Division of Parole and Probation may, pursuant to the procedure set forth in NRS 213.410, return the offender to the custody of the Department.
- (b) The offender forfeits all or part of the credits for good behavior earned by the offender before the escape or violation, as determined by the Director. The Director may provide for a forfeiture of credits pursuant to this paragraph only after proof of the offense and notice to the offender and may restore credits forfeited for such reasons as the Director considers proper. The decision of the Director regarding such a forfeiture is final.
- 5. The assignment of an offender to the custody of the Division of Parole and Probation pursuant to this section shall be deemed:
  - (a) A continuation of the offender's imprisonment and not a release on parole; and
- (b) For the purposes of <u>NRS 209.341</u>, an assignment to a facility of the Department, Ê except that the offender is not entitled to obtain any benefits or to participate in any programs provided to offenders in the custody of the Department.
- 6. The Director may not assign an offender to the custody of the Division of Parole and Probation pursuant to this section if the offender is sentenced to death or imprisonment for life without the possibility of parole.
- 7. An offender does not have a right to be assigned to the custody of the Division of Parole and Probation pursuant to this section, or to remain in that custody after such an assignment, and it is not intended that the provisions of this section or of NRS 213.371 to 213.410, inclusive, create any right or interest in liberty or property or establish a basis for any cause of action against the State, its political subdivisions, agencies, boards, commissions, departments, officers or employees.
- 8. The Division of Parole and Probation may receive and distribute restitution paid by an offender assigned to the custody of the Division of Parole and Probation pursuant to this section.

## NRS 209.501 Temporary furloughs.

- 1. The Director may grant temporary furloughs consistent with classification evaluations and requirements:
  - (a) To permit offenders to:
    - (1) Be interviewed by prospective employers;
    - (2) Respond to family emergencies; or
    - (3) Participate in other approved activities.
- (b) For such other purposes as may be deemed appropriate by the Director with the approval of the Board.
  - 2. Furloughs:
  - (a) Are limited to the confines of the State.
  - (b) Must not be granted to offenders:
    - (1) Sentenced to life imprisonment without the possibility of parole.
- (2) Imprisoned for violations of <u>chapter 201</u> of NRS who have not been certified by the designated board as eligible for parole.
- (c) Must not be granted to an offender who is imprisoned for committing a battery which constitutes domestic violence pursuant to <u>NRS 33.018</u>, unless the Director makes a finding that the offender is not likely to pose a threat to the victim of the battery.
- 3. The Director shall notify appropriate law enforcement authorities in the affected county or city to anticipate the arrival of the offender within their jurisdiction and inform

them of the date and time of the offender's arrival, the reason the furlough was granted, the time when the furlough expires and any other pertinent information which the Director deems appropriate.

4. The Director with the approval of the Board shall adopt regulations for administering the provisions of this section and governing the conduct of offenders granted a furlough.

## Agenda Item 4:

The supporting materials for **Agenda Item 4** can be accessed by visiting the following link: <a href="https://medium.com/@reformalliance/the-safer-plan-preventing-the-spread-of-communicable-disease-in-the-criminal-justice-system-e9572b8babea">https://medium.com/@reformalliance/the-safer-plan-preventing-the-spread-of-communicable-disease-in-the-criminal-justice-system-e9572b8babea</a>