April 30, 2007

H 1898. AIDS TESTING/CERTAIN INMATES. Filed 4/30/07. TO REQUIRE THAT CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS RELEASED FROM THE CUSTODY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION BE TESTED FOR AIDS VIRUS INFECTION.

Enacts new GS 148-19.2 requiring inmates who are known to have been IV-drug users before or during incarceration to be tested for AIDS before being released from the Department of Correction's custody. Results are confidential. If the results are positive, the individual is referred to public health officials for counseling and treatment. Testing and reporting is subject to the requirements of Article 6 (communicable diseases) of GS Chapter 130A. Appropriates \$25,000 for 2007-08 and \$25,000 for 2008-09 from the General Fund to the Department of Correction to implement these requirements. Requires the Secretary of Correction to report to several legislative committees and the Fiscal Research Division annually by March 1, beginning in 2008, on the number of inmates referred for testing. Effective July 1, 2007.

Intro. by Wright.

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July 25, 2007

H 1898. PRE-RELEASE AIDS TESTING OF ALL DOC INMATES (NEW). Filed 4/30/07. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Modifies proposed new GS 148-19.2 to expand the testing requirement to all inmates released from custody. Deletes the statement that the results of the test are confidential. Requires referral to public health officials for counseling (was, for counseling and treatment). Changes the effective date of proposed new GS 148-19.2 from July 1, 2007, to January 1, 2008. Increases the proposed appropriation for each year of the 2007-09 biennium from \$25,000 to \$200,000. Delays the deadline for the first annual report from March 1, 2008, to December 1, 2008.

July 27, 2007

H 1898. PRERELEASE HIV TESTING OF ALL DOC INMATES (NEW). Filed 4/30/07. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Modifies proposed new GS 148-19.2 to require inmates to be tested for HIV infection (was, AIDS virus infection) before being released from the Department of Correction's custody. Makes conforming changes to the statute's catch line and to the title.