Senate Bill 327

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CHAPTER 153, LAWS OF 1967

AN ACT to amend 56.065 (2), (3) and (4) (a) of the statutes, relating to the work release plan for prison inmates.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

56.065 (2), (3) and (4) (a) of the statutes are amended to read:

- 56.065 (2) The department shall establish rules for the administration of the work release program and shall determine those inmates who may participate in the plan. If any inmate violates the conditions prescribed by the institution, his work release privileges may be withdrawn. Failure to report to or return from the planned employment shall be considered an escape under s. 946.42 (3). The department may approve as work release privileges placement in universities, colleges, technical, vocational or trade schools or in sheltered workshops or training programs designed to improve the skills and ability of the inmate.
- (3) The department shall designate and adapt facilities of the state prisons for the purpose of quartering inmates with work release privileges or it may arrange and contract for other facilities, including portions of county jails for inmates employed in the area. An inmate with work release privileges placed in facilities outside a state prison shall be liable for the cost of his room, board, clothing and other necessary expenses incident to his employment or placement unless other means of payment are approved by the department. No inmate shall be granted work release privileges until such suitable quarters have been provided in the area of accepted or proffered employment, or educational or training placement.
- (4) (a) Every inmate gainfully employed under a work release program shall be liable for the cost of his board and clothing and for any expenses incident to such employment or additional living expenses as circumstances permit, in the judgment of the department, except as provided in sub. (3).

Approved November 3, 1967.