

Sixty-fifth  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1041**

Introduced by

Legislative Management

(Incarceration Issues Committee)

A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 12.1-32 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to presumptive probation; to amend and reenact sections 12-44.1-32, 12-54.1-01, 12-59-08, 12.1-17-13, and 12.1-23-05, subsection 2 of section 12.1-32-02, section 19-03.1-22.3, subsection 1 of section 19-03.1-22.5, subsections 5 and 7 of section 19-03.1-23, subdivision a of subsection 1 of section 19-03.1-23.1, section 19-03.4-03, subdivision f of subsection 5 of section 39-08-01, section 43-45-06, subsection 17 of section 50-06-05.1, and section 50-09-29 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to sentence reduction credit, medical paroles, domestic violence offender treatment, grading of theft offenses, credit for time spent in custody, terms and conditions of probation, controlled substances and controlled substance paraphernalia, addiction counseling services, and the supplemental nutrition assistance program; to provide a penalty; to provide for the creation of a pretrial services program pilot project within the department of corrections and rehabilitation; and to provide for a report to the legislative assembly.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 12-44.1-32 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**12-44.1-32. Performance-based sentenceSentence reduction credit.**

~~The presiding judge of a judicial district in which a correctional facility is located, after consultation with the other judges in the district, may authorize the facility administrator to provide for~~  
An inmate sentenced to a correctional facility under this chapter is eligible to earn  
sentence reductions based upon performance criteria established ~~throughby~~ the administrator ~~except that sentence reductions may not be given to offenders sentenced under section 12.1-32-09.1, including sentence reduction for good conduct.~~ While incarcerated in a

correctional facility, an offender may earn no more than a one-day sentence reduction per six days served.

**SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 12-54.1-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**12-54.1-01. Performance-based sentence ~~Sentence~~ reduction.**

Except as provided under section 12.1-32-09.1, ~~offenders~~an offender committed to the legal and physical custody of the department of corrections and rehabilitation ~~are~~is eligible to earn sentence reductions based upon performance criteria established through department and penitentiary rules. Performance criteria includes participation in court-ordered or staff-recommended treatment and education programs and good work performance. The department may credit an offender committed to the legal and physical custody of the department who is eligible for sentence reduction five days good time per month for each month of the sentence imposed. The department may ~~not~~ credit an offender with any sentence reduction for time spent in custody ~~prior to~~before ~~sentence~~sentencing and commitment, ~~for time under supervised probation, or for any sentence where the incarceration time is six months or less to the legal and physical custody of the department. The department may not credit an offender with any sentence reduction for time spent on probation under the supervision and management of the department.~~

**SECTION 3. AMENDMENT.** Section 12-59-08 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**12-59-08. Emergency ~~Medical~~ paroles.**

~~The~~If an inmate, including an inmate whose sentence is subject to section 12.1-32-02.1 and an inmate sentenced under subsection 1 of section 12.1-32-01, has a serious or terminal medical condition, the parole board may consider whether an ~~grant the inmate may receive an emergency~~a medical parole at a meeting scheduled by the chairman. The board may request the inmate to personally appear before the board before the board makes a decision whether to grant the inmate an emergency parole. The board may grant or deny an emergency parole, or grant a conditional emergency parole, or continue its consideration to another meeting. Two members of the parole board may grant emergency parole, subject to terms and conditions of emergency parole that may be established by the two members of the parole board, or by the department of corrections and rehabilitation with the approval of the parole board. An inmate

1 who receives an emergency medical parole remains under the jurisdiction of the parole board  
2 until the expiration of the maximum term or terms of imprisonment for which the inmate was  
3 sentenced, less any sentence reduction the inmate has received. **SECTION 4. AMENDMENT.**

4 Section 12.1-17-13 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

5 **12.1-17-13. Mandated treatment of domestic violence offenders.**

6 The sentence for an offense under section 12.1-17-01, 12.1-17-01.1, 12.1-17-02,  
7 12.1-17-03, 12.1-17-04, or 12.1-17-05 against an actor's family or household member, as  
8 defined in subsection 4 of section 14-07.1-01, must include an order to complete a domestic  
9 violence offender evaluation and treatment program as determined by the court. ~~A court may not~~  
10 ~~order the offender to attend anger management classes or individual counseling unless a~~  
11 ~~domestic violence offender treatment program is not reasonably available to the defendant and~~  
12 ~~the court makes findings for the record explaining why an order to complete a domestic violence~~  
13 ~~offender treatment program would be inappropriate.~~

14 **SECTION 5. AMENDMENT.** Section 12.1-23-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
15 amended and reenacted as follows:

16 **12.1-23-05. Grading of theft offenses.**

- 17 1. Notwithstanding subsection 3, theft under this chapter is a class A felony if the  
18 property or services stolen exceed fifty thousand dollars in value.
- 19 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 3, theft under this chapter is a class B  
20 felony if the property or services stolen exceed ten thousand dollars in value but do  
21 not exceed fifty thousand dollars or are acquired or retained by a threat to commit a  
22 felony.
- 23 3. Theft under this chapter is a class C felony if:
  - 24 a. The property or services stolen exceed ~~one~~ two thousand five hundred dollars in  
25 value;
  - 26 b. The property or services stolen are acquired or retained by threat and (1) are  
27 acquired or retained by a public servant by a threat to take or withhold official  
28 action, or (2) exceed one hundred dollars in value;
  - 29 c. The property or services stolen exceed one hundred dollars in value and are  
30 acquired or retained by a public servant in the course of official duties;

- d. The property stolen is a firearm, ammunition, or an explosive or destructive device, ~~or an automobile, aircraft, or other motor-propelled vehicle;~~
  - e. The property consists of any government file, record, document, or other government paper stolen from any government office or from any public servant;
  - f. The defendant is in the business of buying or selling stolen property and the defendant receives, retains, or disposes of the property in the course of that business;
  - g. The property stolen consists of any implement, paper, or other thing uniquely associated with the preparation of any money, stamp, bond, or other document, instrument, or obligation of this state;
  - h. The property stolen consists of livestock taken from the premises of the owner;
  - i. The property stolen consists of a key or other implement uniquely suited to provide access to property the theft of which would be a felony and it was stolen to gain such access;
  - j. The property stolen is a card, plate, or other credit device existing for the purpose of obtaining money, property, labor, or services on credit, or is a debit card, electronic fund transfer card, code, or other means of access to an account for the purposes of initiating electronic fund transfers; or
  - k. The property stolen is a prescription drug as defined in section 43-15.3-01.
4. All other theft under this chapter is a class A misdemeanor, unless the requirements of subsection 5 are met.
  5. Theft under this chapter of property or services of a value not exceeding five hundred dollars is a class B misdemeanor if:
    - a. The theft was not committed by threat;
    - b. The theft was not committed by deception by one who stood in a confidential or fiduciary relationship to the victim of the theft; and
    - c. The defendant was not a public servant or an officer or employee of a financial institution who committed the theft in the course of official duties.
- The special classification provided in this subsection applies if the offense is classified under this subsection in the charge or if, at sentencing, the required factors are established by a preponderance of the evidence.

- 1       6. Notwithstanding subsection 3 of section 12.1-06-01, an attempt to commit a theft  
2       under this chapter is punishable equally with the completed offense when the actor  
3       has completed all of the conduct which the actor believes necessary on the actor's  
4       part to complete the theft except receipt of the property.
- 5       7. For purposes of grading, the amount involved in a theft under this chapter is the  
6       highest value by any reasonable standard, regardless of the actor's knowledge of such  
7       value, of the property or services which were stolen by the actor, or which the actor  
8       believed that the actor was stealing, or which the actor could reasonably have  
9       anticipated to have been the property or services involved. Thefts committed pursuant  
10      to one scheme or course of conduct, whether from the same person or several  
11      persons, may be charged as one offense and the amounts proved to have been stolen  
12      may be aggregated in determining the grade of the offense.

13      **SECTION 6. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 2 of section 12.1-32-02 of the North Dakota  
14 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

- 15      2. Credit against any sentence to a term of imprisonment must be given by the court to a  
16      defendant for all time spent in custody as a result of the criminal charge for which the  
17      sentence was imposed or as a result of the conduct on which such charge was based.  
18      "Time spent in custody" includes time spent in custody in a jail or mental institution for  
19      the offense charged, whether that time is spent prior to trial, during trial, pending  
20      sentence, or pending appeal. The total amount of credit the defendant is entitled to for  
21      time spent in custody and any credit for sentence reduction under section 12-44.1-32  
22      or 12-54.1-01 the defendant is entitled to must be stated in the criminal judgment.

23      **SECTION 7.** A new section to chapter 12.1-32 of the North Dakota Century Code is created  
24 and enacted as follows:

25      **Presumptive probation.**

26      Except as provided under section 12.1-32-09.1, the court shall sentence an individual  
27 convicted of a class A misdemeanor drug offense to a term of probation if the individual has  
28 never plead guilty to, or been found guilty of, a class A misdemeanor drug offense or a felony  
29 offense before the date of the commission of the offense charged in the complaint, information,  
30 or indictment. The court may impose a sentence of imprisonment if the court finds aggravating

1 factors to justify a departure and states the aggravating factors on the record at the time of  
2 sentencing.

3 **SECTION 8. AMENDMENT.** Section 19-03.1-22.3 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
4 amended and reenacted as follows:

5 **19-03.1-22.3. Ingesting a controlled substance - Venue for violation - Penalty.**

6 A person who intentionally ingests, inhales, or otherwise takes into the body a controlled  
7 substance, unless the substance was obtained directly from a practitioner or pursuant to a valid  
8 prescription or order of a practitioner while acting in the course of the practitioner's professional  
9 practice, is guilty of a class AB misdemeanor for a first offense and a class A misdemeanor for a  
10 second or subsequent offense. The venue for a violation of this section exists in either the  
11 jurisdiction in which the controlled substance was ingested, inhaled, or otherwise taken into the  
12 body or the jurisdiction in which the controlled substance was detected in the body of the  
13 accused.

14 **SECTION 9. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 1 of section 19-03.1-22.5 of the North Dakota  
15 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

- 16 1. The use of controlled substance analog includes the ingestion, inhalation, absorption,  
17 or any other method of taking the controlled substance analog into the body. An  
18 individual who intentionally uses a controlled substance analog is guilty of a class G-  
19 felonyB misdemeanor for a first offense and a class A misdemeanor for a second or  
20 subsequent offense, unless the individual obtains the analog directly from a  
21 practitioner or pursuant to a valid prescription or order of a practitioner.

22 **SECTION 10. AMENDMENT.** Subsections 5 and 7 of section 19-03.1-23 of the North  
23 Dakota Century Code are amended and reenacted as follows:

- 24 5. A violation of this chapter or a law of another state or the federal government which is  
25 equivalent to an offense with respect to the manufacture, delivery, or intent to deliver a  
26 controlled substance under this chapter committed while the offender was an adult  
27 and which resulted in a plea or finding of guilt must be considered a prior offense  
28 under subsections 1, 3, and 4. The prior offense must be alleged in the complaint,  
29 information, or indictment. The plea or finding of guilt for the prior offense must have  
30 occurred before the date of the commission of the offense or offenses charged in the  
31 complaint, information, or indictment.

- 1       7.   a.   It is unlawful for any person to willfully, as defined in section 12.1-02-02, possess  
2           a controlled substance or a controlled substance analog unless the substance  
3           was obtained directly from, or pursuant to, a valid prescription or order of a  
4           practitioner while acting in the course of the practitioner's professional practice, or  
5           except as otherwise authorized by this chapter, but any person who violates  
6           section 12-46-24 or 12-47-21 may not be prosecuted under this subsection.  
7           Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, any person who violates this  
8           subsection is guilty of a class G ~~felony~~ A misdemeanor. If, at the time of the  
9           offense the person is in or on, or within ~~one thousand~~ five hundred feet  
10          ~~[300.48]~~ 152.4 meters] of the real property comprising a public or private  
11          elementary or secondary school or a public career and technical education  
12          school, the person is guilty of a class B felony, unless the offense involves one  
13          ounce [28.35 grams] or less of marijuana. Any person who violates this  
14          subsection regarding possession of one ounce [28.35 grams] or less of marijuana  
15          is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.
- 16       b.   If an individual is sentenced to the legal and physical custody of the department  
17       of corrections and rehabilitation under this subsection, the department may place  
18       the individual in a drug and alcohol treatment program designated by the  
19       department. Upon the successful completion of the drug and alcohol treatment  
20       program, the department shall release the individual from imprisonment to begin  
21       any court-ordered period of probation.
- 22       c.   If the individual is not subject to any court-ordered probation, the court shall order  
23       the individual to serve the remainder of the sentence of imprisonment on  
24       supervised probation subject to the terms and conditions imposed by the court.
- 25       d.   Probation under this subsection may include placement in another facility,  
26       treatment program, or drug court. If an individual is placed in another facility or  
27       treatment program upon release from imprisonment, the remainder of the  
28       sentence must be considered as time spent in custody.
- 29       e.   An individual incarcerated under this subsection as a result of a second probation  
30       revocation is not eligible for release from imprisonment upon the successful  
31       completion of treatment.

1       **SECTION 11. AMENDMENT.** Subdivision a of subsection 1 of section 19-03.1-23.1 of the  
2 North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

- 3           a.   The offense involved the manufacture, delivery, or possession, with intent to  
4               manufacture or deliver a controlled substance in or on, or within ~~one thousand five~~  
5               hundred feet [~~300.48~~152.4 meters] of, the real property comprising a child care or  
6               preschool facility, public or private elementary or secondary school, public career  
7               and technical education school, or a public or private college or university;

8       **SECTION 12. AMENDMENT.** Section 19-03.4-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
9 amended and reenacted as follows:

10       **19-03.4-03. Unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia - Penalty.**

- 11       1.   A person may not use or possess with intent to use drug paraphernalia to plant,  
12           propagate, cultivate, grow, harvest, manufacture, compound, convert, produce,  
13           process, prepare, test, analyze, pack, repack, store, contain, or conceal a controlled  
14           substance in violation of chapter 19-03.1. Any person violating this subsection is guilty  
15           of a class C felony if the drug paraphernalia is used, or possessed with intent to be  
16           used, to manufacture, compound, convert, produce, process, prepare, test, or analyze  
17           a controlled substance, other than marijuana, classified in schedule I, II, or III of  
18           chapter 19-03.1.
- 19       2.   A person may not use or possess with the intent to use drug paraphernalia to inject,  
20           ingest, inhale, or otherwise induce into the human body a controlled substance, other  
21           than marijuana, classified in schedule I, II, or III of chapter 19-03.1. A person violating  
22           this subsection is guilty of a class ~~A~~ B misdemeanor. If a person previously has been  
23           convicted of an offense under this title, other than an offense related to marijuana, or  
24           an equivalent offense from another court in the United States, a violation of this  
25           subsection is a class ~~C~~ A ~~felony~~ misdemeanor.
- 26       3.   A person may not use or possess with intent to use drug paraphernalia to plant,  
27           propagate, cultivate, grow, harvest, manufacture, compound, convert, produce,  
28           process, prepare, test, analyze, pack, repack, store, contain, or conceal marijuana in  
29           violation of chapter 19-03.1. A person violating this subsection is guilty of a class A  
30           misdemeanor.



- 1           4. A person may not use or possess with the intent to use drug paraphernalia to ingest,  
2           inhale, or otherwise introduce into the human body marijuana in violation of  
3           chapter 19-03.1. A person violating this subsection is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

4           **SECTION 13. AMENDMENT.** Subdivision f of subsection 5 of section 39-08-01 of the North  
5 Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

- 6           f. If the offense is subject to subdivision a or b, a municipal court or district court  
7           may not suspend a sentence, but may convert each day of a term of  
8           imprisonment to ten hours of community service for an offense subject to  
9           paragraph 2 of subdivision a. If the offense is subject to subdivision c, the district  
10          court may suspend a sentence, except for sixty days' imprisonment, under  
11          subsection 3 of section 12.1-32-02 on the condition that the defendant first  
12          undergo and complete an evaluation for alcohol and substance abuse treatment  
13          and rehabilitation. If the offense is subject to subdivision d, the district court may  
14          suspend a sentence, except for one year's imprisonment, under subsection 3 of  
15          section 12.1-32-02 on the condition that the defendant first undergo and  
16          complete an evaluation for alcohol and substance abuse treatment and  
17          rehabilitation. If the defendant is found to be in need of alcohol and substance  
18          abuse treatment and rehabilitation, the district court may order the defendant  
19          placed under the supervision and management of the department of corrections  
20          and rehabilitation and is subject to the conditions of probation under section  
21          12.1-32-07. The district court may require the defendant to complete alcohol and  
22          substance abuse treatment and rehabilitation under the direction of the drug  
23          court program as a condition of probation in accordance with rules adopted by  
24          the supreme court. The district court may terminate probation under this section  
25          when the defendant completes the drug treatment program. If the district court  
26          finds that a defendant has failed to undergo an evaluation or complete treatment  
27          or has violated any condition of probation, the district court shall revoke the  
28          defendant's probation and shall sentence the defendant in accordance with this  
29          subsection.

30          **SECTION 14. AMENDMENT.** Section 43-45-06 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
31 amended and reenacted as follows:

1       **43-45-06. Addiction counseling practice - Exemptions.**

2       1. ~~Nothing in this~~This chapter ~~may be construed to~~does not prevent any ~~person~~individual  
3       from doing work within the standards and ethics of that ~~person's~~individual's profession  
4       and calling, ~~provided that if~~ the ~~person~~individual does not represent to the public, by  
5       title or by use of the initials L.A.C., that the ~~person~~individual is engaging in addiction  
6       counseling. A licensed clinical psychologist, a doctoral candidate in psychology, a  
7       licensed independent clinical social worker, or a licensed professional clinical  
8       counselor may provide addiction counseling services, as determined qualified by each  
9       respective licensing board.

10      2. ~~Nothing in this~~This chapter ~~may be construed to~~does not prevent addiction counseling  
11      trainees or interns in board-approved programs from engaging in addiction counseling  
12      related to training.

13      **SECTION 15. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 17 of section 50-06-05.1 of the North Dakota  
14      Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

15      17. To act as the official agency of the state in the administration of the supplemental  
16      nutrition assistance program and to direct and supervise county administration of that  
17      program. Provided, however, that the department with the consent of the budget  
18      section of the legislative management may terminate the program if the rate of federal  
19      financial participation in administrative costs provided under Public Law 93-347 is  
20      decreased or limited, or if the state or counties become financially responsible for all or  
21      a portion of the coupon bonus payments under the Food Stamp Act. ~~Unless at least~~  
22      ~~seven years has elapsed since the most recent felony conviction that has as an~~  
23      ~~element the possession, use, or distribution of a controlled substance, the~~The  
24      department ~~shall~~may not deny assistance under the supplemental nutrition assistance  
25      program to any individual who has been convicted of a felony offense that has as an  
26      element the possession, use, or distribution of a controlled substance as defined in  
27      section 102(6) of the Controlled Substances Act [21 U.S.C. 802(6)].

28      **SECTION 16. AMENDMENT.** Section 50-09-29 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
29      amended and reenacted as follows:

1       **50-09-29. Requirements for administration of temporary assistance for needy**  
2 **families.**

- 3       1. Except as provided in subsections 2, 3, and 4, the department of human services, in  
4 its administration of the temporary assistance for needy families program, shall:
- 5       a. Provide assistance to otherwise eligible women in the third trimester of a  
6 pregnancy;
- 7       b. Except as provided in subdivision c, afford eligible households benefits for no  
8 more than sixty months;
- 9       c. Exempt eligible households from the requirements of subdivision b due to mental  
10 or physical disability of a parent or child, mental or physical incapacity of a  
11 parent, or other hardship including a parent subject to domestic violence as  
12 defined in section 14-07.1-01;
- 13       d. Unless an exemption, exclusion, or disregard is required by law, count income  
14 and assets whenever actually available;
- 15       e. Except as provided in subdivision j, and as required to allow the state to receive  
16 funds from the federal government under title IV-A, provide no benefits to  
17 noncitizen immigrants who arrive in the United States after August 21, 1996;
- 18       f. Limit eligibility to households with total available assets, not otherwise exempted  
19 or excluded, of a value established by the department;
- 20       g. Exclude one motor vehicle of any value in determining eligibility;
- 21       h. Require work activities for all household members not specifically exempted by  
22 the department of human services for reasons such as mental or physical  
23 disability of a parent or child or mental or physical incapacity of a parent;
- 24       i. Establish goals and take action to prevent and reduce the incidence of  
25 out-of-wedlock pregnancies and establish numerical goals for reducing the  
26 illegitimacy rate for the state for periods through calendar year 2005;
- 27       j. To the extent required to allow the state to receive funds from the federal  
28 government under title IV-A, provide benefits to otherwise eligible noncitizens  
29 who are lawfully present in the United States;
- 30       k. Establish and enforce standards against program fraud and abuse;
- 31       l. Provide employment placement programs;

- 1           m.   Exempt from assets and income the savings and proportionate matching funds in
- 2               individual development accounts;
- 3           n.   Determine the unemployment rate of adults living in a county that includes Indian
- 4               reservation lands and a significant population of Indian individuals by using
- 5               unemployment data provided by job service North Dakota;
- 6           o.   When appropriate, require household members to complete high school;
- 7           p.   To the extent required to allow the state to receive funds from the federal
- 8               government under title IV-A, exempt single parents from required work activities;
- 9           q.   Provide for sanctions, including termination of assistance to the household, if a
- 10               household member fails to cooperate with work requirements;
- 11           r.   Provide for sanctions, including termination of assistance to the household, if a
- 12               household member fails, without good cause, to cooperate with child support
- 13               activities;
- 14           s.   Deny assistance with respect to a minor child absent from the household for
- 15               more than one calendar month, except as specifically provided by the state
- 16               agency for absences;
- 17           t.   Require each household to participate in developing an individual employment
- 18               plan and provide for sanctions, including termination of assistance to the
- 19               household, if adult or minor household members age sixteen or older fail to
- 20               cooperate with the terms of the individual employment plan;
- 21           u.   Provide pre-pregnancy family planning services that are to be incorporated into
- 22               the temporary assistance for needy families program assessment;
- 23           v.   Except in cases of pregnancy resulting from rape or incest, not increase the
- 24               assistance amount to recognize the increase in household size when a child is
- 25               born to a household member who was a recipient of assistance under this
- 26               chapter during the probable month of the child's conception;
- 27           w.   Disregard earned income as an incentive allowance for no more than twelve
- 28               months; and
- 29           x.   Consider, and if determined appropriate, authorize demonstration projects in
- 30               defined areas which may provide benefits and services that are not identical to
- 31               benefits and services provided elsewhere; ~~and~~

y. ~~Unless at least seven years has elapsed since the most recent felony conviction that has as an element the possession, use, or distribution of a controlled substance, deny assistance to any individual who has been convicted of a felony offense that has as an element the possession, use, or distribution of a controlled substance as defined in section 102(6) of the Controlled Substances Act [21 U.S.C. 802(6)].~~

2. If the secretary of the United States department of health and human services determines that funds otherwise available for the temporary assistance for needy families program in this state must be reduced or eliminated should the department of human services administer the program in accordance with any provision of subsection 1, the department of human services shall administer the program in a manner that avoids the reduction or loss.

3. If the department of human services determines, subject to the approval of the legislative management, that there is insufficient worker opportunity, due to increases in the unemployment rate, to participate in work activities, the department may administer the temporary assistance for needy families program in a manner different than provided in subsection 1.

4. If the department of human services determines, subject to the approval of the legislative management, that administration of the temporary assistance for needy families program, in the manner provided by subsection 1, causes otherwise eligible individuals to become a charge upon the counties under chapter 50-01, the department may administer the program in a manner that avoids that result.

5. The department of human services may not deny assistance to any individual who has been convicted of a felony offense that has as an element the possession, use, or distribution of a controlled substance as defined in section 102(6) of the Controlled Substance Act [21 U.S.C. 802(6)].

**SECTION 17. PRETRIAL SERVICES DIVISION PILOT PROJECT - REPORT TO LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.** The department of corrections and rehabilitation may establish a pretrial services program as a pilot project in one or more judicial districts during the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019. The pretrial services pilot project must involve coordination among the department, the judicial branch, and state and local law

1 enforcement agencies for the provision of pretrial services by the department for the district  
2 courts to individuals charged with felony offenses. Pretrial services include risk assessments,  
3 background and criminal history background investigations, recommendations for conditions of  
4 pretrial release, monitoring and supervision of individuals on pretrial release for compliance with  
5 pretrial conditions to assure the individual's appearance at all court proceedings, and reporting  
6 violations of pretrial release conditions to the district court. The department and the judicial  
7 branch shall provide a report of the process and outcome measures of the pretrial services  
8 program and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the  
9 recommendations, to the sixty-sixth legislative assembly.