

HB 164 – AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL **164**

AN ACT establishing a legislative oversight committee on corrections issues.

SPONSORS: Rep. Robertson, Ches 6

COMMITTEE: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a legislative oversight committee on corrections issues.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struckthrough.~~]
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Thirteen

AN ACT establishing a legislative oversight committee on corrections issues.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 New Section; Department of Corrections; Legislative Oversight Committee. Amend RSA 21-H
2 by inserting after section 14-c the following new section:

3 21-H:14-d Legislative Oversight Committee Established.

4 I. There shall be a legislative oversight committee on corrections issues consisting of the
5 following members:

6 (a) Three members of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker of the house
7 of representatives.

8 (b) Two members of the senate appointed by the president of the senate.

9 II. Membership on the legislative oversight committee shall be for the biennium and shall be
10 coterminous with membership in the general court.

11 III. The legislative oversight committee shall provide oversight to the department of
12 corrections on corrections issues including, but not limited to, concerns regarding state correctional
13 facilities, proposing methods for achieving greater efficiencies within the department, and reviewing
14 the department's procedures for addressing prisoner's complaints. The committee shall conduct an
15 ongoing review of the statutes governing the department of corrections and propose legislation as
16 may be needed.

17 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.