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## CRIMINALIZE FALSE ALLEGATIONS AGAINST CORRECTIONS EMPLOYEES

**House Bill 5579**

**Sponsor: Rep. Scott Shackleton**

**Committee: Criminal Law and Corrections**

**Complete to 5-11-00**

### A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5579 AS INTRODUCED 4-12-00

The bill would amend Public Act 118 of 1893, the prison code, to prohibit prisoners, parolees, and probationers from making certain knowingly false allegations about a Department of Corrections employee. More specifically, the bill would prohibit intentionally false written or verbal statements made to an officer or employee of the department that alleged employee misconduct (defined in the bill as an action or omission by a department employee that constituted criminal activity or was a violation of work rules or policies that could result in disciplinary action being taken against the employee). The bill's prohibitions would apply to any prisoner or parolee under the department's jurisdiction and any probationer who was under the supervision of a department employee.

Violation of the bill's provisions would be a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for up to one year and/or a fine of up to \$500.

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