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2017 SENATE BILL 264

May 25, 2017 - Introduced by Senators FEYEN, L. TAYLOR, TESTIN, DARLING and MARKLEIN, cosponsored by Representatives SCHRAA, HUTTON, HORLACHER, R. BROOKS, DUCHOW, MURPHY, TITTL, GOYKE, POPE, SPIROS, HINTZ, KRUG, STEFFEN, SUBECK, ROHRKASTE, RIPP, KLEEFISCH, TUSLER and BALLWEG. Referred to Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

1 **AN ACT** *to renumber and amend* 302.27; *to amend* 20.410 (1) (ab); and *to*
2 *create* 302.27 (2) of the statutes; **relating to:** work release for inmates in
3 Department of Corrections contracted facilities.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill permits inmates confined in county jails, county houses of correction, or tribal jails under a Department of Corrections contract with a local unit of government to leave the facility to participate in employment-related activities or any other activity that has been designated by DOC in its contract with the local unit of government.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** 20.410 (1) (ab) of the statutes is amended to read:
5 20.410 (1) (ab) *Corrections contracts and agreements.* The amounts in the
6 schedule for payments made in accordance with contracts entered into under ss.
7 301.21, 302.25, and 302.27 (1), contracts entered into with the federal government

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1 under 18 USC 5003, and intra-agency agreements relating to the placement of
2 prisoners.

3 **SECTION 2.** 302.27 of the statutes is renumbered 302.27 (1) and amended to
4 read:

5 302.27 (1) The department may contract with a local governments unit of
6 government, as defined in s. 16.957 (1) (k), for temporary housing or detention in
7 county jails ~~or,~~ county houses of correction, or tribal jails for persons placed on
8 probation or sentenced to imprisonment in state prisons or to the intensive sanctions
9 program. The rate under any such contract may not exceed \$60 per person per day.
10 Nothing in this ~~section~~ subsection limits the authority of the department to place
11 persons in jails under s. 301.048 (3) (a) 1.

12 **SECTION 3.** 302.27 (2) of the statutes is created to read:

13 302.27 (2) Inmates who are confined or detained under sub. (1) may be granted
14 the privilege of leaving the facility during necessary and reasonable hours to engage
15 in employment-related activities including seeking employment, engaging in
16 employment training, working at employment, performing community service work,
17 or attendance at an educational institution, or for any other activity designated in
18 the contract under sub. (1). The sheriff or tribal chief of police, in conjunction with
19 the department, shall determine inmate eligibility to participate in such activities
20 and may terminate participation or return an inmate to state facilities, or both, at
21 any time.

22 (END)