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Change Summary for CSHB 187, from Version E to Version G

The House State Affairs added one amendment, E.6, to HB187 during its second hearing on 1/28/2020. These changes were made in part with the suggestion of the Department of Corrections.

Section 1. There were several changes to Section 1, including suggestions from the Department of Corrections on ways to accommodate current practice regarding vulnerable prisoner populations, conforming measures to close potential loopholes, and one section to add an additional exception to the Department's ability to send prisoners out of state.

1. Page 1, Line 10: Delete "private"
Page 1, Line 14: Delete "or private"
2. Page 2, Line 6: Delete "an", Insert "a public"
3. Page 2, Line 7: Delete "or"
4. Page 2, Line 8: Delete [OR SECURITY] and insert "or security"
5. Page 2, Line 9, following "prisoner": insert "or
6. 3) to reduce the cost of housing a prisoner who
 - A) Is not a resident of the state; or
 - B) Has been sentenced to a term or aggregate term of imprisonment of 99 years or more, and, if the prisoner is a parent, the prisoner
 - i) does not have a child under 18 years of age residing in the state; or
 - ii) has a child under 18 years of age residing in the state, but the prisoner's parental rights to the child have been terminated"

Section 2. Page 2, line 17, “state” is deleted and replaced with language prohibiting the Department from entering into an agreement with a private agency to house prisoners outside Alaska. This effectively codifies existing departmental practice, where only limited populations are housed outside, in predominantly public facilities, and closes a potential loophole.

Section 3. Page 3, Line 2: This is conforming language to the changes made in Section 1.

Page 3, Line 3: This is conforming language to the changes made in Section 1.

Page 3, Line 4: This is conforming language to the changes made in Section 1.