

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY RULES COMMITTEE
BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 320

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act providing for the grant of good
7 time to prisoners conducting themselves
8 according to rules of prison facilities
9 and for industrial and meritorious good
10 time; providing for the discharge of
11 persons earning good time; providing
12 for the release of a prisoner as on
13 parole; for the forfeiture of good time
14 earned; for the restoration of forfeited
15 good time."

16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

17 Section 1. COMPUTATION GENERALLY. Each prisoner convicted
18 of an offense against the State of Alaska and confined in a penal
19 or correctional institution for a definite term other than for
20 life, whose record of conduct shows that he has faithfully observ-
21 ed all the rules and has not been subject to punishment, shall be
22 entitled to a deduction from the term of his sentence beginning
23 with the day on which the sentence commences to run, as follows:

24 a. Five days for each month, if the sentence is not
25 less than six months and not more than one year.

26 b. Six days for each month, if the sentence is more
27 than one year and less than three years.

28 c. Seven days for each month, if the sentence is not
29 less than three years and less than five years.

1 d. Eight days for each month, if the sentence is not
2 less than five years and less than ten years.

3 e. Ten days for each month, if the sentence is ten
4 years or more.

5 When two or more consecutive sentences are to be served, the
6 aggregate of the several sentences shall be the basis upon which
7 the deduction shall be computed.

8 Sec. 2. GOOD TIME. A prisoner may, in the discretion of
9 the Commissioner of the Department of Health and Welfare, be
10 allowed a deduction from his sentence of not to exceed three
11 days for each month of actual employment in a prison or camp
12 project or activity for the first year or any part thereof,
13 and not to exceed five days for each month of any succeeding
14 year or part thereof.

15 In the discretion of the Commissioner of the Department of
16 Health and Welfare such allowance may also be made to a prisoner
17 performing exceptionally meritorious service or performing duties
18 of outstanding importance in connection with institutional oper-
19 ations.

20 Such allowance shall be in addition to commutation of time
21 for good conduct, and under the same terms and conditions and
22 without regard to length of sentence.

23 Sec. 3. DISCHARGE. A prisoner shall be released at the ex-
24 piration of his term of sentence less the time deducted for good
25 conduct. A certificate of such deduction shall be entered on the
26 commitment by the warden, keeper, or the Commissioner of the
27 Department of Health and Welfare or his authorized representative.

28 Sec. 4. RELEASED PRISONER AS PAROLEE. A prisoner having
29 served his term or terms less good time deductions shall, upon
release, be deemed as if released on parole until the expiration

1 of the maximum term or terms for which he was sentenced less one
2 hundred and eighty days.

3 This section shall not prevent delivery of a prisoner to the
4 authorities of any state or the United States otherwise entitled
5 to his custody.

6 Sec. 5. FORFEITURE FOR OFFENSE. If during the term of im-
7 prisonment a prisoner commits any offense or violates the rules
8 of the institution, all or any part of his earned good time may
9 be forfeited.

10 Sec. 6. RESTORATION OF LOST GOOD TIME. The Commissioner of
11 the Department of Health and Welfare, or his authorized represent-
12 ative, may restore any forfeited or lost good time or such portion
13 thereof as he deems proper upon recommendation of the keeper or
14 person in charge of the penal or correctional institution in which
15 the prisoner is incarcerated.

16 Sec. 7. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Act or the
17 application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid,
18 such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications
19 of the Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision
20 or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are
21 declared to be severable.

22 Sec. 8. TIME OF TAKING EFFECT. This Act shall take effect
23 on the day after its passage and approval or on the day it becomes
24 law without approval.
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