

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 153(JUD)
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

Offered: 4/8/94
Referred: Finance

Sponsor(s): HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE BY REQUEST

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act related to the awarding of special good time deductions for prisoners
2 participating in the Point MacKenzie Rehabilitation Project; and providing for an
3 effective date."

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

5 * Section 1. AS 33.20 is amended by adding a new section to read:

6 Sec. 33.20.021. SPECIAL GOOD TIME. (a) Notwithstanding
7 AS 12.55.125(f)(3) and 12.55.125(g)(3), the commissioner shall, upon the
8 recommendation of the project manager of the Point MacKenzie Rehabilitation Project,
9 award a prisoner serving a sentence of at least 60 days and voluntarily participating
10 in the Point MacKenzie Rehabilitation Project three days special good time deduction
11 from the prisoner's sentence for each complete month the prisoner successfully
12 completes as a participant in the project. A prisoner may not be awarded a special
13 good time deduction for any partial month the prisoner participates in the project. A
14 prisoner is not entitled to a special good time deduction under this section until it is

1 actually awarded. If it is awarded, special good time shall be awarded during the
2 month following the month for which the special good time is earned.

3 (b) Upon a review of the prisoner's behavior by the project manager of the
4 Point MacKenzie Rehabilitation Project, the recommendation of the project manager
5 to the commissioner may be withheld in whole or in part.

6 (c) Special good time awarded under (a) of this section shall be forfeited in
7 whole or in part if the prisoner is involuntarily removed from the Point MacKenzie
8 Rehabilitation Project because of inappropriate behavior. The project manager of the
9 Point MacKenzie Rehabilitation Project shall post for or distribute to the inmates
10 participating in the project a description of appropriate or inappropriate behavior.

11 * Sec. 2. AS 33.20.030 is amended to read:

12 Sec. 33.20.030. DISCHARGE. A prisoner shall be released at the expiration
13 of the term of sentence less the time deducted for good time and special good time
14 [CONDUCT]. A certificate of deduction shall be entered on the commitment by the
15 warden, keeper, or the commissioner.

16 * Sec. 3. TRANSITIONAL PROVISION. Notwithstanding sec. 6 of this Act, the
17 commissioner of corrections may, upon the recommendation of the project manager of the
18 Point MacKenzie Rehabilitation Project, award special good time as provided in AS 33.20.021,
19 added by sec. 1 of this Act, to prisoners, qualified to receive special good time under
20 AS 33.20.021, added by sec. 1 of this Act, who are voluntarily participating in the Point
21 MacKenzie Rehabilitation Project on the effective date of this section for each complete month
22 the prisoner has successfully completed in the project before the effective date of this section.
23 The special good time shall be awarded, and is subject to forfeiture in the manner provided
24 in AS 33.20.021, added by sec. 1 of this Act.

25 * Sec. 4. TRANSITIONAL PROVISION. Notwithstanding sec. 6 of this Act, the
26 commissioner of corrections may proceed to adopt regulations necessary to implement secs. 1
27 and 2 of this Act. The regulations may not take effect before July 1, 1994.

28 * Sec. 5. Section 4 of this Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

29 * Sec. 6. Sections 1 - 3 of this Act take effect July 1, 1994.