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SB 374 Original DIGEST Barrow  
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Proposed law expresses the legislative intent and desire that services offered to state and private correctional institutions and facilities should address the unique issues of incarcerated women based upon female specific health issues, social and psychological needs, family commitments, and issues surrounding children. Provides that the Dept. of Public Safety & Corrections (DPSC) and private vendors operating private correctional facilities work towards ensuring the availability and development of such services at the correctional institutions and facilities of this state.

Proposed law requires DPSC to undertake a planning process for the proper management of incarcerated women.

Proposed law provides that the planning process required in proposed law, at a minimum shall include:

- (1) Health screening and projected health care needs.
- (2) Plan of care for a child or children.
- (3) Wellness education program.
- (4) Pregnancy.
- (5) Counseling and support services.
- (6) Geriatric care.
- (7) Mental health screening.
- (8) Mental health services.
- (9) Disease control and prevention.
- (10) Staff education, training, and development to provide care for female inmates, including pregnant women and geriatric care.

Proposed law requires DPSC to undertake a planning process for the proper management of transgender inmates.

Proposed law provides that the planning process required in proposed law, at a minimum shall

include:

- (1) Health screening and projected health care needs.
- (2) Plan of care for a child or children.
- (3) Wellness education program.
- (4) Counseling and support services.
- (5) Hormone therapy.
- (6) Geriatric care.
- (7) Mental health screening.
- (8) Mental health services.
- (9) Disease control and prevention.
- (10) Staff education, training, and development to provide care for transgender inmates and geriatric care.

Proposed law requires the implementation of the planning process as required by proposed law no later than September 1, 2018.

Proposed law requires DPSC to present a report of its findings to the legislature not later than February 1, 2019.

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