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# HOUSE BILL No. 2328

By Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice

Requested by Representative Schwertfeger on behalf of Representative Sweely

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AN ACT concerning the secretary of corrections; relating to the prison-made goods act; providing an exception to restrictions on prison-made housing units to allow the secretary of corrections to establish a program for delivering such units into designated areas; amending K.S.A. 75-5275a and repealing the existing section.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

Section 1. K.S.A. 75-5275a is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-5275a. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the prison-made goods act of Kansas to the contrary, *except as provided in subsection (b),* the secretary shall not establish or maintain a home building program ~~which manufacturers~~ *that manufactures* or produces housing units ~~which~~ *that* would compete with the:

(1) (A) Manufactured homes or modular homes manufactured, assembled or sold by manufactured home manufacturers; or

(B) manufactured homes or modular homes sold by manufactured home dealers; or

(2) (A) modular homes manufactured, assembled or sold by modular home manufacturers; or

(B) modular homes sold by modular home dealers.

(b) *(1) The secretary may establish a program for delivering prison-made housing units into designated areas, as determined by the secretary in consultation with the local community, that have experienced minimal building activity and home improvements despite community efforts to incentivize such improvements.*

*(2) The secretary shall evaluate the program and submit a report to the governor, the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the senate not later than 10 years after such program is established. The report shall describe the program's impact on available housing in the designated area and the impact on nonprison housing manufacturers and dealers. The report shall also evaluate whether the program resulted in inmates who participated in the program having gained employment in related industries after release from incarceration, the expenses and costs reimbursed to the state by inmates who participated in the program and the amount of earned savings that such inmates had upon release from*

*incarceration.*

*(c)* As used in this section:

(1) "Manufactured home" ~~has the meaning ascribed to such term by~~ *means the same as defined in* K.S.A. 58-4202, and amendments thereto;

(2) "manufactured home dealer" ~~has the meaning ascribed to such term by~~ *means the same as defined in* K.S.A. 58-4202, and amendments thereto;

(3) "manufactured home manufacturer" ~~has the meaning ascribed to such term by~~ *means the same as defined in* K.S.A. 58-4202, and amendments thereto;

(4) "modular home" ~~has the meaning ascribed to such term by~~ *means the same as defined in* K.S.A. 58-4202, and amendments thereto; ~~and~~

(5) "secretary" means the secretary of corrections.*; and*

(6) "vocational building program" means the vocational building program operated by the secretary to provide individual, freestanding buildings, not to exceed 1,000 square feet in size, to state agencies for use by such agencies.

~~(c)~~*(d)* The provisions of this section shall not apply to a vocational building program.

~~(d)~~*(e)* This section shall be a part of and supplemental to the prison-made goods act of Kansas.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 75-5275a is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.