

Bill Summary
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Bill Analysis

SB 28 modifies eligibility for parole. For crimes committed before July 1, 1998, the measure allows prisoners, excepting those convicted to life without parole, who completed 1/3 of their sentence to be eligible for parole. Current law establishes different eligibility metrics depending on the crime.

The measure also removes these metrics for crimes committed after July 1, 1998 and before November 1, 2018. Persons convicted of a crime in this timeframe will be eligible for parole after they served 1/3 of their sentence.

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Fiscal Analysis

FY'20 Impact: Reduction in litigation costs

While SB28 will reduce litigation and simplify the litigation that is filed, neither of those reductions can be predicted in a way that is quantified accurately. Such lawsuits can account for 5-10% of counsel's time, and the suits frequently involve multiple agencies

Per the Pardon and Parole Board