BILL SUMMARY

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Research Analysis

SB 320 provides for the "medically frail" and "medically vulnerable" as defined in the measure to receive consideration in compassionate parole proceedings. The measure defines medically frail as it relates to medical parole to mean an individual with a medical condition which precludes the individual from performing two or more activities of daily living on their own. The measure also defines medically vulnerable as an individual with 1 or more medical conditions which makes the individual more likely to contract an illness or disease while incarcerated that could lead to death or cause an individual to become medically frail. The measure specifies the medical conditions that place an individual in the medically vulnerable category. The measure requires the victim to be notified.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure modifies the definition of inmates of the Department of Corrections that are eligible for medical parole review to include those that are medically frail or medically vulnerable as certified by the medical director of the DOC.

Upon review and with consultation from the DOC, the measure has an unknown impact. The measure provides structure for the DOC's determination of inmates eligible for medical parole. However, the medical parole process is completed so rarely and requires approval from the Pardon and Parole Review Board and the Governor that the DOC is unable to estimate the fiscal impact of the measure.

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Other Considerations

None.

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