



Ohio Revised Code

Section 5120.037 Substance abuse recovery prison; feasibility study.

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(A) Not later than June 30, 2016, the department of rehabilitation and correction shall study the feasibility of converting an existing state correctional facility, another existing facility controlled by the department, an existing facility owned by the state or a political subdivision of the state, or an existing facility owned by a private entity into a substance abuse recovery prison. The purpose of the prison would be to help reduce relapses and recidivism while preparing offenders confined in the prison for reentry into the community. In conducting the study, the department shall do all of the following:

- (1) Explore all alternatives for providing substance abuse recovery for offenders confined in the prison;
- (2) Consider drug treatment and rehabilitation services to be provided in the prison to help to prepare offenders confined in the prison for reentry into the community;
- (3) Consider the categories of offenders that should be confined in the prison, including whether the department should be limited to placing an offender sentenced to or serving a prison term in the prison only if the department knows or has reason to believe that drug usage by the offender was a factor leading to the offense for which the offender was sentenced to the prison term.

(B) Upon completion of the study specified in division (A) of this section, the department shall submit copies of the study to the president and minority leader of the senate, the speaker and minority leader of the house of representatives, and the governor.
