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OFFICE OF THE  
DEPUTY MAYOR

MURIEL BOWSER  
MAYOR

DEC - 8 2016

The Honorable Phil Mendelson  
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia  
John A. Wilson Building  
1350 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Suite 504  
Washington, D.C. 20004

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

Enclosed for consideration and approval by the Council of the District of Columbia is a resolution entitled the "Department of Corrections Good Time Credits Approval Resolution of 2016."

As required by Section 4(b) of the District of Columbia Good Time Credits Act of 1986, effective April 11, 1987 (D.C. Law 6-218; D.C. Official Code § 24-221.02(b)), the measure approves proposed regulations to increase the number of good time credits an inmate can receive each month from eight to 10. Inmates may earn these credits for good behavior and participation in rehabilitative programs.

I urge prompt consideration and approval of this measure. If you have any questions on this matter, please contact Deputy Mayor Kevin Donahue at (202) 286-5028.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Muriel Bowser".

Muriel Bowser

Enclosures

  
Chairman Phil Mendelson  
at the request of the Mayor

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6 A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

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9 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
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13 Chairman Phil Mendelson, at the request of the Mayor, introduced the following resolution,  
14 which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_.

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16 To approve the proposed rules to amend Title 28 (Corrections, Courts, and Criminal Justice) of  
17 the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations.

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19 RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this  
20 resolution may be cited as the “Department of Corrections Good Time Credits Approval  
21 Resolution of 2016.”

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23 Sec. 2. Pursuant to Section 4(b) of the District of Columbia Good Time Credits Act of  
24 1986, effective April 11, 1987 (D.C. Law 6-218; D.C. Official Code § 24-221.02(b)), the  
25 Council approves the proposed rules, published at 63 DCR 13511, to amend Title 28 of the  
26 District of Columbia Municipal Regulations.

27 Sec. 3. The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement contained in the committee report  
28 as the fiscal impact statement required by section 603(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home  
29 Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(3)).

30 Sec. 4. The Secretary of the Council shall transmit a copy of this resolution, upon its  
31 adoption, to the Department of Corrections.

32 Sec. 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

**DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS**

**NOTICE OF EMERGENCY AND PROPOSED RULEMAKING**

The Director of the Department of Corrections (Director), pursuant to the authority in Section 3c(c) of the District of Columbia Good Time Credits Act of 1986 (“Act”), effective May 17, 2011 (D.C. Law 18-372; D.C. Official Code § 24-221.01c(c)) and Mayor’s Order 2006-53 dated May 9, 2006 , hereby gives notice of the intent to amend, on an emergency basis, Chapter 6 (Good Time Credits) of Title 28 (Corrections, Courts, and Criminal Justice) of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (DCMR) by adding a new Section 601.02.

The rules will increase the limit on good time credit from eight (8) to ten (10) credits per month to ensure that the rules conform with changes made to the Act by Bill 21-360, the Neighborhood Engagement Achieves Results Amendment Act of 2016. The emergency action is necessary for the immediate preservation and promotion of the health, safety and welfare of inmates who are entitled to additional good time credits under the Act and the safety, security and order of the Department facilities which is improved by increased participation by inmates in rehabilitative programs while incarcerated. The Director gives notice of the intent to take final rulemaking action to adopt this rule not less than thirty (30) days from the date of publication in the *D.C. Register*. The rules will be submitted to council for a forty-five (45) day period of review in accordance with the Act.

**Chapter 6, Good Time Credit, of Title 28 Corrections, Courts, and Criminal Justice, of the DCMR is amended as follows:**

**A new section 601.02 is added to read as follows:**

**601            LIMITATION ON CREDITS**

601.02            An inmate shall not earn more than ten (10) good time credits per calendar month under this chapter

All persons desiring to comment on the subject matter of this proposed rulemaking should file comments in writing not later than thirty (30) days after the date of publication of this notice in the *D.C. Register*. Comments should be filed with the General Counsel, Department of Corrections, 2000 14<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Washington, D.C. 20009. Copies of these rules may be obtained at the address stated above.

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
Office of the Attorney General



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Lolita S. Alston  
Director  
Office of Legislative Support

FROM: Janet M. Robins  
Deputy Attorney General  
Legal Counsel Division

DATE: September 29, 2016

SUBJECT: Legal Sufficiency Review of Proposed Legislation Entitled, the "Good Time Credits  
Regulations Approval Resolution of 2016"  
(AE-16-477B)

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**This is to Certify that** this Office has reviewed the above-referenced  
legislation and that we have found it to be legally sufficient. If you have any questions in this  
regard, please do not hesitate to call me at 724-5524.

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Janet M. Robins