AN ACT

To provide for programs to help reduce the risk that prisoners will recidivate upon release from prison, and for other purposes.

1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) Short Title.—This Act may be cited as the “Formerly Incarcerated Reenter Society Transformed Safely Transitioning Every Person Act” or the “FIRST STEP Act”.

(b) Table of Contents.—The table of contents for this Act is as follows:

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TITLE I—RECIDIVISM REDUCTION

Sec. 101. Risk and needs assessment system.
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TITLE I—RECIDIVISM
REDUCTION

SEC. 101. RISK AND NEEDS ASSESSMENT SYSTEM.

(a) In general.—Chapter 229 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting after subchapter C the following:

"SUBCHAPTER D—RISK AND NEEDS ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

Sec. 3631. Duties of the Attorney General.
Sec. 3632. Development of risk and needs assessment system.
Sec. 3633. Evidence-based recidivism reduction program and recommendations.
Sec. 3634. Report.
Sec. 3635. Definitions.

§ 3631. Duties of the Attorney General

(a) In general.—The Attorney General shall carry out this subchapter in consultation with—

(1) the Director of the Bureau of Prisons;
(2) the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts;
(3) the Director of the Office of Probation and Pretrial Services;
(4) the Director of the National Institute of Justice; and
(5) the Director of the National Institute of Corrections.

(b) Duties.—The Attorney General shall—
“(1) conduct a review of the existing prisoner risk and needs assessment systems in operation on the date of the enactment of the FIRST STEP Act;
“(2) develop recommendations regarding evidence-based recidivism reduction programs and productive activities in accordance with section 3633;
“(3) conduct ongoing research and data analysis on—
“(A) evidence-based recidivism reduction programs relating to the use of prisoner risk and needs assessment tools;
“(B) the most effective and efficient uses of such programs;
“(C) which evidence-based recidivism reduction programs are the most effective at reducing recidivism, and the type, amount, and intensity of programming that most effectively reduces the risk of recidivism; and
“(D) products purchased by Federal agencies that are manufactured overseas and could be manufactured by prisoners participating in a prison work program without reducing job opportunities for other workers in the United States;
“(4) on an annual basis, review and validate the risk and needs assessment system, which review shall include—

“(A) any subsequent changes to the risk and needs assessment system made after the date of the enactment of this subchapter;

“(B) the recommendations developed under paragraph (2), using the research conducted under paragraph (3);

“(C) an evaluation to ensure that the risk and needs assessment system bases the assessment of each prisoner’s risk of recidivism on indicators of progress, and of regression that are dynamic and that can reasonably be expected to change while in prison;

“(D) statistical validation of any tools that the risk and needs assessment system uses; and

“(E) an evaluation of the rates of recidivism among similarly classified prisoners to identify any unwarranted disparities, including disparities among similarly classified prisoners of different demographic groups, in such rates;

“(5) make any revisions or updates to the risk and needs assessment system that the Attorney General determines appropriate pursuant to the review
under paragraph (4), including updates to ensure
that any disparities identified in paragraph (4)(E)
are reduced to the greatest extent possible; and

“(6) report to Congress in accordance with sec-
tion 3634.

“§3632. Development of risk and needs assessment
system

“(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after
the date of the enactment of the FIRST STEP Act, the
Attorney General shall develop and release a risk and
needs assessment system (referred to in this subchapter
as the ‘System’), which shall be used to—

“(1) determine the recidivism risk of each pris-
oner as part of the intake process, and classify each
prisoner as having minimum, low, medium, or high
risk for recidivism;

“(2) assess and determine, to the extent prac-
ticable, the risk of violent or serious misconduct of
each prisoner;

“(3) determine the type, amount, and intensity
of evidence-based recidivism reduction programs that
are appropriate for each prisoner and assign each
prisoner to such programs accordingly, and based on
the prisoner’s specific criminogenic needs, and in ac-
cordance with subsection (b);
“(4) reassess the recidivism risk of each prisoner periodically and reassign the prisoner to appropriate evidence-based recidivism reduction programs or productive activities based on the revised determination to ensure that—

“(A) all prisoners at each risk level have a meaningful opportunity to reduce their classification during the period of incarceration;

“(B) to address the specific criminogenic needs of the prisoner; and

“(C) all prisoners are able to successfully participate in such programs;

“(5) determine when to provide incentives and rewards for successful participation in evidence-based recidivism reduction programs or productive activities in accordance with subsection (e); and

“(6) determine when a prisoner is ready to transfer into prerelease custody in accordance with section 3624(c).

In carrying out this subsection, the Attorney General may use existing risk and needs assessment tools, as appropriate.

“(b) ASSIGNMENT OF EVIDENCE-BASED RECIDIVISM REDUCTION PROGRAMS.—The System shall provide guidance on the type, amount, and intensity of evidence-based
recidivism reduction programming and productive activities that shall be assigned for each prisoner, including—

“(1) programs in which the Bureau of Prisons shall assign the prisoner to participate, according to the prisoner’s specific criminogenic needs; and

“(2) information on the best ways that the Bureau of Prisons can tailor the programs to the specific criminogenic needs of each prisoner so as to most effectively lower each prisoner’s risk of recidivism.

“(c) HOUSING AND ASSIGNMENT DECISIONS.—The System shall provide guidance on program grouping and housing assignment determinations and, after accounting for the safety of each prisoner and other individuals at the prison, provide that prisoners with a similar risk level be grouped together in housing and assignment decisions to the extent practicable.

“(d) EVIDENCE-BASED RECIDIVISM REDUCTION PROGRAM INCENTIVES AND PRODUCTIVE ACTIVITIES REWARDS.—The System shall provide incentives and rewards for prisoners to participate in and complete evidence-based recidivism reduction programs as follows:

“(1) PHONE AND VISITATION PRIVILEGES.—A prisoner who is successfully participating in an evi-
dence-based recidivism reduction program shall re-
ceive—

“(A) phone privileges, or, if available, video
conferencing privileges, for up to 30 minutes
per day, and up to 510 minutes per month; and

“(B) additional time for visitation at the
prison, as determined by the warden of the pris-
on.

“(2) Transfer to Institution Closer to
release residence.—A prisoner who is success-
fully participating in an evidence-based recidivism
reduction program shall be considered by the Bu-
reau of Prisons for placement in a facility closer to
the prisoner’s release residence upon request from
the prisoner and subject to—

“(A) bed availability at the transfer facil-
ity;

“(B) the prisoner’s security designation;

and

“(C) the recommendation from the warden
of the prison at which the prisoner is incarcer-
ated at the time of making the request.

“(3) Additional Policies.—The Director of
the Bureau of Prisons shall develop additional poli-
cies to provide appropriate incentives for successful
participation and completion of evidence-based recidivism reduction programming. Such incentives shall include not less than two of the following:

“(A) Increased commissary spending limits and product offerings.

“(B) Extended opportunities to access the email system.

“(C) Consideration of transfer to preferred housing units (including transfer to different prison facilities).

“(D) Other incentives solicited from prisoners and determined appropriate by the Director.

“(4) TIME CREDITS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—A prisoner, except for an ineligible prisoner under subparagraph (D), who successfully completes evidence-based recidivism reduction programming or productive activities, shall earn time credits as follows:

“(i) A prisoner shall earn 10 days of time credits for every 30 days of successful participation in evidence-based recidivism reduction programming or productive activities.
“(ii) A prisoner determined by the Bureau of Prisons to be at a minimum or low risk for recidivating, who, over two consecutive assessments, has not increased their risk of recidivism, shall earn an additional 5 days of time credits for every 30 days of successful participation in evidence-based recidivism reduction programming or productive activities.

“(B) AVAILABILITY.—A prisoner may not earn time credits under this paragraph for an evidence-based recidivism reduction program that the prisoner successfully completed—

“(i) prior to the date of the enactment of this Act;

“(ii) during official detention prior to the date that the prisoner’s sentence commences under section 3585(a); or

“(iii) if that prisoner is an inadmissible or deportable alien under the immigration laws (as such term is defined in section 101 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101)).

“(C) APPLICATION OF TIME CREDITS TOWARD PRE-RELEASE CUSTODY.—Time credits
earned under this paragraph by prisoners who successfully participate in recidivism reduction programs or productive activities and who have been determined to be at minimum risk or low risk for reoffending pursuant to their last two reassessments shall be applied toward time in pre-release custody. The Director of the Bureau of Prisons shall transfer prisoners described in this subparagraph into prerelease custody, except that the Director of the Bureau of Prisons may deny such a transfer if the warden of the prison finds by clear and convincing evidence that the prisoner should not be transferred into prerelease custody based only on evidence of the prisoner’s actions after the conviction of such prisoner and not based on evidence from the underlying conviction, and submits a detailed written statement regarding such finding to the Director of the Bureau of Prisons.

“(D) INELIGIBLE PRISONERS.—A prisoner is ineligible to receive time credits under this paragraph if the prisoner is serving a sentence for a conviction under any of the following provisions of law:
“(i) Section 113(a)(1), relating to assault with intent to commit murder.

“(ii) Section 115, relating to influencing, impeding, or retaliating against a Federal official by injuring a family member, except for a threat made in violation of that section.

“(iii) Any section of chapter 10, relating to biological weapons.

“(iv) Any section of chapter 11B, relating to chemical weapons.

“(v) Section 351, relating to Congressional, Cabinet, and Supreme Court assassination, kidnapping, and assault.

“(vi) Section 793, relating to gathering, transmitting, or losing defense information.

“(vii) Section 794, relating to gathering or delivering defense information to aid a foreign government.

“(viii) Any section of chapter 39, relating to explosives and other dangerous articles, except for section 836 (relating to the transportation of fireworks into a State prohibiting sale or use).
“(ix) Section 842(p), relating to distribution of information relating to explosive, destructive devices, and weapons of mass destruction, but only if the conviction involved a weapon of mass destruction (as defined in section 2332a(c)(2) of such title).

“(x) Subsection (f)(3), (h), or (i) of section 844, relating to the use of fire or an explosive.

“(xi) Section 924(e), relating to unlawful possession of a firearm by a person with three or more convictions for a violent felony.

“(xii) Section 1030(a)(1), relating to fraud and related activity in connection with computers.

“(xiii) Any section of chapter 51, relating to homicide, except for section 1112 (relating to manslaughter), 1113 (relating to attempt to commit murder or manslaughter, but only if the conviction was for an attempt to commit manslaughter), 1115 (relating to misconduct or neglect of ship officers), or 1122 (relating to protec-
tion against the human immunodeficiency virus).

“(xiv) Any section of chapter 55, relating to kidnapping.

“(xv) Any offense under chapter 77, relating to peonage, slavery, and trafficking in persons, except for sections 1592 through 1596.

“(xvi) Section 1751, relating to Presidential and Presidential staff assassination, kidnapping, and assault.

“(xvii) Section 1841(a)(2)(C), relating to intentionally killing or attempting to kill an unborn child.

“(xviii) Section 1992, relating to terrorist attacks and other violence against railroad carriers and against mass transportation systems on land, on water, or through the air.

“(xix) Section 2113(e), relating to bank robbery resulting in death.

“(xx) Section 2118(e)(2), relating to robberies and burglaries involving controlled substances resulting in death.
“(xxi) Section 2119(3), relating to taking a motor vehicle (commonly referred to as ‘carjacking’) that results in death.

“(xxii) Any section of chapter 105, relating to sabotage, except for section 2152.

“(xxiii) Any section of chapter 109A, relating to sexual abuse, except that with regard to section 2244, only a conviction under subsection (e) of that section (relating to abusive sexual contact involving young children) shall make a prisoner ineligible under this subparagraph.

“(xxiv) Section 2251, relating to the sexual exploitation of children.

“(xxv) Section 2251A, relating to the selling or buying of children.

“(xxvi) Any of paragraphs (1) through (3) of section 2252(a), relating to certain activities relating to material involving the sexual exploitation of minors.

“(xxvii) A second or subsequent conviction under any of paragraphs (1) through (6) of section 2252A(a), relating to certain activities relating to material
constituting or containing child pornography.

“(xxviii) Section 2260, relating to the production of sexually explicit depictions of a minor for importation into the United States.

“(xxix) Section 2283, relating to the transportation of explosive, biological, chemical, or radioactive or nuclear materials.

“(xxx) Section 2284, relating to the transportation of terrorists.

“(xxxi) Section 2291, relating to the destruction of a vessel or maritime facility, but only if the conduct which led to the conviction involved a substantial risk of death or serious bodily injury.

“(xxxii) Any section of chapter 113B, relating to terrorism.

“(xxxiii) Section 2340A, relating to torture.

“(xxxiv) Section 2381, relating to treason.

“(xxxv) Section 2442, relating to the recruitment or use of child soldiers.
“(xxxvi) Section 57(b) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2077(b)), relating to the engagement or participation in the development or production of special nuclear material.


“(xxxviii) Section 101 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2131), relating to the atomic energy license requirement.

“(xxxix) Section 224 or 225 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2274, 2275), relating to the communication or receipt of restricted data.

“(xl) Section 236 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2284), relating to the sabotage of nuclear facilities or fuel.

“(xli) Section 60123(b) of title 49, United States Code, relating to damaging or destroying a pipeline facility, but only if the conduct which led to the conviction in-
volved a substantial risk of death or seri-
ous bodily injury.

“(xlii) Section 401(a) of the Con-
trolled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 841),
relating to manufacturing or distributing a
controlled substance, but only in the case
of a conviction for an offense described in
subparagraph (A), (B), or (C) of sub-
section (b)(1) of that section for which
death or serious bodily injury resulted
from the use of such substance.

“(xliii) Section 276(a) of the Immi-
gration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
1326), relating to the reentry of a removed
alien, but only if the alien is described in
paragraph (1) or (2) of subsection (b) of
that section.

“(xliv) Any section of the Export Ad-
2401 et seq.)

“(xlv) Section 206 of the Inter-
national Emergency Economic Powers Act
(50 U.S.C. 1705).

“(xlvi) Section 601 of the National
Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3121), re-
lating to the protection of identities of certain United States undercover intelligence officers, agents, informants, and sources.

“(xlvi) An offense described in section 3559(c)(2)(F), for which the offender was sentenced to a term of imprisonment of more than one year, if the offender has a previous conviction, for which the offender served a term of imprisonment of more than one year, for a Federal or State offense, by whatever designation and wherever committed, consisting of murder (as described in section 1111), voluntary manslaughter (as described in section 1112), assault with intent to commit murder (as described in section 113(a)), aggravated sexual abuse and sexual abuse (as described in sections 2241 and 2242), abusive sexual contact (as described in sections 2244(a)(1) and (a)(2)), kidnapping (as described in chapter 55), carjacking (as described in section 2119), arson (as described in section 844(f)(3), (h), or (i)), or terrorism (as described in chapter 113B).
“(xlvi) Section 2118(c)(2) of title 18, United States Code, relating to robberies and burglaries involving controlled substances resulting in death.

“(5) Risk reassessments and level adjustment.—A prisoner who successfully participates in evidence-based recidivism reduction programming or productive activities shall receive periodic risk reassessments not less often than annually, and a prisoner determined to be at a medium or high risk of recidivating and who has less than 5 years until his or her projected release date shall receive more frequent risk reassessments. If the reassessment shows that the prisoner’s risk of recidivating or specific needs have changed, the Bureau of Prisons shall update the determination of the prisoner’s risk of recidivating or information regarding the prisoner’s specific needs and reassign the prisoner to appropriate evidence-based recidivism reduction programming or productive activities based on such changes.

“(6) Relation to other incentive programs.—The incentives described in this subsection shall be in addition to any other rewards or incentives for which a prisoner may be eligible.
“(e) PENALTIES.—The Director of the Bureau of Prisons shall develop guidelines for the reduction of rewards and incentives earned under subsection (e) for prisoners who violate prison rules or evidence-based recidivism reduction program or productive activity rules, which shall provide—

“(1) general levels of violations and resulting reductions;

“(2) that any reduction that includes the loss of time credits shall require written notice to the prisoner, shall be limited to time credits that a prisoner earned as of the date of the prisoner’s rule violation, and shall not include any future time credits that the prisoner may earn; and

“(3) for a procedure to restore time credits that a prisoner lost as a result of a rule violation based on the prisoner’s individual progress after the date of the rule violation.

“(f) BUREAU OF PRISONS TRAINING.—The Attorney General shall develop and implement training programs for Bureau of Prisons officers and employees responsible for administering the System, which shall include—

“(1) initial training to educate officers and employees on how to use the System in an appropriate
and consistent manner, as well as the reasons for using the System;

“(2) continuing education;
“(3) periodic training updates; and
“(4) a requirement that such officers and employees demonstrate competence in administering the System, including interrater reliability, on a biannual basis.

“(g) QUALITY ASSURANCE.—In order to ensure that the Bureau of Prisons is using the System in an appropriate and consistent manner, the Attorney General shall monitor and assess the use of the System, which shall include conducting annual audits of the Bureau of Prisons regarding the use of the System.

§ 3633. Evidence-based recidivism reduction program and recommendations

“Prior to releasing the System, the Attorney General shall—

“(1) review the effectiveness of evidence-based recidivism reduction programs that exist as of the date of the enactment of this subchapter in prisons operated by the Bureau of Prisons;
“(2) review available information regarding the effectiveness of evidence-based recidivism reduction programs and productive activities that exist in
State-operated prisons throughout the United States;

“(3) identify the most effective evidence-based recidivism reduction programs;

“(4) review the policies for entering into evidence-based recidivism reduction partnerships described in section 3621(h)(5); and

“(5) direct the Bureau of Prisons regarding—

“(A) evidence-based recidivism reduction programs;

“(B) the ability for faith-based organizations to function as a provider of educational evidence-based programs outside of the religious classes and services provided through the Chaplaincy; and

“(C) the addition of any new effective evidence-based recidivism reduction programs that the Attorney General finds.

“§ 3634. Report

“Beginning on the date that is 2 years after the date of the enactment of this subchapter, and annually thereafter for a period of 5 years, the Attorney General shall submit a report to the Committees on the Judiciary of the Senate and the House of Representatives and the Subcommittees on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related
Agencies of the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and the House of Representatives that contains the following:

“(1) A summary of the activities and accomplishments of the Attorney General in carrying out this Act.

“(2) A summary and assessment of the types and effectiveness of the evidence-based recidivism reduction programs and productive activities in prisons operated by the Bureau of Prisons, including—

“(A) evidence about which programs have been shown to reduce recidivism;

“(B) the capacity of each program and activity at each prison, including the number of prisoners along with the recidivism risk of each prisoner enrolled in each program; and

“(C) identification of any gaps or shortages in capacity of such programs and activities.

“(3) Rates of recidivism among individuals who have been released from Federal prison, based on the following criteria:

“(A) The primary offense of conviction.

“(B) The length of the sentence imposed and served.
“(C) The Bureau of Prisons facility or facilities in which the prisoner’s sentence was served.

“(D) The evidence-based recidivism reduction programming that the prisoner successfully completed, if any.

“(E) The prisoner’s assessed and reassessed risk of recidivism.

“(F) The productive activities that the prisoner successfully completed, if any.

“(4) The status of prison work programs at facilities operated by the Bureau of Prisons, including—

“(A) a strategy to expand the availability of such programs without reducing job opportunities for workers in the United States who are not in the custody of the Bureau of Prisons, including the feasibility of prisoners manufacturing products purchased by Federal agencies that are manufactured overseas;

“(B) an assessment of the feasibility of expanding such programs, consistent with the strategy required under subparagraph (A), with the goal that 5 years after the date of enactment of this Act, not less than 75 percent of el-
eligible minimum and low risk offenders have the opportunity to participate in a prison work program for not less than 20 hours per week; and

“(C) a detailed discussion of legal authorities that would be useful or necessary to achieve the goals described in subparagraphs (A) and (B).

“(5) An assessment of the Bureau of Prisons’ compliance with section 3621(h).

“(6) An assessment of progress made toward carrying out the purposes of this subchapter, including any savings associated with—

“(A) the transfer of prisoners into prerelease custody under section 3624(g) including savings resulting from the avoidance or deferral of future construction, acquisition, and operations costs; and

“(B) any decrease in recidivism that may be attributed to the System or the increase in evidence-based recidivism reduction programs required under chapter.

“(7) Recommendations for how to reinvest any savings into other Federal, State, and local law enforcement activities and evidence-based recidivism reduction programs in the Bureau of Prisons.
§ 3635. Definitions

“In this subchapter the following definitions apply:

“(1) Evidence-based recidivism reduction program.—The term ‘evidence-based recidivism reduction program’ means either a group or individual activity that—

“(A) has been shown by empirical evidence to reduce recidivism or is based on research indicating that it is likely to be effective in reducing recidivism;

“(B) is designed to help prisoners succeed in their communities upon release from prison; and

“(C) may include—

“(i) social learning and communication, interpersonal, anti-bullying, rejection response, and other life skills;

“(ii) family relationship building, structured parent-child interaction, and parenting skills;

“(iii) classes on morals or ethics;

“(iv) academic classes;

“(v) cognitive behavioral treatment;

“(vi) mentoring;

“(vii) substance abuse treatment;

“(viii) vocational training;
“(ix) faith-based classes or services;

“(x) civic engagement and reintegrative community services;

“(xi) a prison job, including through a prison work program;

“(xii) victim impact classes or other restorative justice programs; and

“(xiii) trauma counseling and trauma-informed support programs.

“(2) PRISONER.—The term ‘prisoner’ means a person who has been sentenced to a term of imprisonment pursuant to a conviction for a Federal criminal offense, or a person in the custody of the Bureau of Prisons.

“(3) RISK AND NEEDS ASSESSMENT TOOL.—The term ‘risk and needs assessment tool’ means an objective and statistically validated method through which information is collected and evaluated to determine—

“(A) the risk that a prisoner will recidivate upon release from prison; and

“(B) the recidivism reduction programs that will best minimize the risk that the prisoner will recidivate upon release from prison.
“(4) PRODUCTIVE ACTIVITY.—The term ‘productive activity’ means either a group or individual activity that is designed to allow prisoners determined as having a minimum or low risk of recidivating to remain productive and thereby maintain a minimum or low risk of recidivating, and may include the delivery of the programs described in paragraph (1) to other prisoners.”.

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of subchapters for chapter 229 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“D. Risk and Needs Assessment System ................................................. 3631”.

SEC. 102. IMPLEMENTATION OF SYSTEM AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY BUREAU OF PRISONS.

(a) IMPLEMENTATION OF SYSTEM GENERALLY.—Section 3621 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(h) IMPLEMENTATION OF RISK AND NEEDS ASSESSMENT SYSTEM.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the Attorney General completes and releases the risk and needs assessment system (referred to in this subsection as the ‘System’) developed under subchapter D, the Director of the Bureau of Prisons shall, in accordance with that subchapter—
“(A) implement and complete the initial intake risk and needs assessment for each prisoner (including for each prisoner who was a prisoner prior to the effective date of this subsection), regardless of the prisoner’s length of imposed term of imprisonment, and begin to assign prisoners to appropriate evidence-based recidivism reduction programs based on that determination;

“(B) begin to expand the effective evidence-based recidivism reduction programs and productive activities it offers and add any new evidence-based recidivism reduction programs and productive activities necessary to effectively implement the System; and

“(C) begin to implement the other risk and needs assessment tools necessary to effectively implement the System over time, while prisoners are participating in and completing the effective evidence-based recidivism reduction programs and productive activities.

“(2) PHASE-IN.—In order to carry out paragraph (1), so that every prisoner has the opportunity to participate in and complete the type, amount, and intensity of evidence-based recidivism reduction pro-
grams or productive activities they need, and be re-
assessed for recidivism risk as necessary to effec-
tively implement the System, the Bureau of Prisons
shall—

“(A) provide such evidence-based recidi-

ism reduction programs and productive activi-
ties for all prisoners before the date that is 2
years after the date on which the Bureau of
Prisons completes a risk and needs assessment
for each prisoner under paragraph (1)(A); and

“(B) develop and validate the risk and

needs assessment tool to be used in the reas-
sessments of risk of recidivism, while prisoners
are participating in and completing evidence-
based recidivism reduction programs and pro-
ductive activities.

“(3) PRIORITY DURING PHASE-IN.—During the
2-year period described in paragraph (2)(A), the pri-
ority for such programs and activities shall be ac-
corded based on a prisoner’s proximity to release
date.

“(4) PRELIMINARY EXPANSION OF EVIDENCE-
BASED RECIDIVISM REDUCTION PROGRAMS AND AU-
THORITY TO USE INCENTIVES.—Beginning on the
date of the enactment of the FIRST STEP Act, the
Bureau of Prisons may begin to expand any evidence-based recidivism reduction programs and productive activities that exist at a prison as of such date, and may offer to prisoners who successfully participate in such programs and activities the incentives and rewards described in subchapter D.

“(5) Recidivism reduction partnerships.—
In order to expand evidence-based recidivism reduction programs and productive activities, the Attorney General shall develop policies for the warden of each prison of the Bureau of Prisons to enter into partnerships, subject to the availability of appropriations, with any of the following:

“(A) Nonprofit and other private organizations, including faith-based, art, and community-based organizations that will deliver recidivism reduction programming on a paid or volunteer basis.

“(B) Institutions of higher education (as defined in section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001) that will deliver instruction on a paid or volunteer basis.

“(C) Private entities that will—

“(i) deliver vocational training and certifications;
“(ii) provide equipment to facilitate vocational training or employment opportunities for prisoners;
“(iii) employ prisoners; or
“(iv) assist prisoners in prerelease custody or supervised release in finding employment.
“(D) Industry-sponsored organizations that will deliver workforce development and training, on a paid or volunteer basis.
“(6) **Requirement to provide programs to all prisoners; priority.**—The Director of the Bureau of Prisons shall provide all prisoners with the opportunity to actively participate in evidence-based recidivism reduction programs or productive activities, according to their specific criminogenic needs, throughout their entire term of incarceration. Priority for participation in recidivism reduction programs shall be given to medium risk and high risk prisoners, with access to productive activities given to minimum risk and low risk prisoners.
“(7) **Definitions.**—The terms in this subsection have the meaning given those terms in section 3635.”.

(b) **Prerelease Custody.—**
(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 3624 of title 18, United States Code, is amended—

(A) in subsection (b)(1)—

(i) by striking ‘‘, beyond the time served, of up to 54 days at the end of each year of the prisoner’s term of imprisonment, beginning at the end of the first year of the term,’’ and inserting ‘‘of up to 54 days for each year of the prisoner’s sentence imposed by the court,’’;

(ii) by striking ‘‘credit for the last year or portion of a year of the term of imprisonment shall be prorated and credited within the last six weeks of the sentence’’ and inserting ‘‘credit for the last year of a term of imprisonment shall be credited on the first day of the last year of the term of imprisonment’’; and

(B) by adding at the end the following:

‘‘(g) PRERELEASE CUSTODY FOR RISK AND NEEDS ASSESSMENT SYSTEM PARTICIPANTS.—

(1) ELIGIBLE PRISONERS.—This subsection applies in the case of a prisoner (as such term is defined in section 3635) who—
“(A) has earned time credits under the risk and needs assessment system developed under subchapter D (referred to in this subsection as the ‘System’) in an amount that is equal to the remainder of the prisoner’s imposed term of imprisonment;

“(B) has shown through the periodic risk reassessments a demonstrated recidivism risk reduction or has maintained a minimum or low recidivism risk, during the prisoner’s term of imprisonment;

“(C) has been classified by the warden of the prison as otherwise qualified to be transferred into prerelease custody; and

“(D)(i) has been determined under the System to be a minimum or low risk to recidivate; or

“(ii) has had a petition to be transferred to prerelease custody approved by the warden of the prison, after the warden’s determination that—

“(I) the prisoner would not be a danger to society if transferred to prerelease custody;
“(II) the prisoner has made a good faith effort to lower their recidivism risk through participation in recidivism reduction programs or productive activities;

“(III) the prisoner is unlikely to recidivate; and

“(IV) the transfer of the prisoner to prerelease custody is otherwise appropriate.

“(2) TYPES OF PRERELEASE CUSTODY.—A prisoner shall be placed in prerelease custody as follows:

“(A) HOME CONFINEMENT.—

“(i) In general.—A prisoner placed in prerelease custody pursuant to this subsection who is placed in home confinement shall—

“(I) be subject to 24-hour electronic monitoring that enables the prompt identification of the prisoner, location, and time, in the case of any violation of subclause (II);

“(II) remain in the prisoner’s residence, except that the prisoner may leave the prisoner’s home in
order to, subject to the approval of the Director of the Bureau of Prisons—

“(aa) perform a job or job-related activities, including an apprenticeship, or participate in job-seeking activities;

“(bb) participate in evidence-based recidivism reduction programming or productive activities assigned by the System, or similar activities;

“(cc) perform community service;

“(dd) participate in crime victim restoration activities;

“(ee) receive medical treatment; or

“(ff) attend religious activities; and

“(III) comply with such other conditions as the Director determines appropriate.

“(ii) ALTERNATE MEANS OF MONITORING.—If the electronic monitoring of a
prisoner described in clause (i)(I) is infeasible for technical or religious reasons, the Director of the Bureau of Prisons may use alternative means of monitoring a prisoner placed in home confinement that the Director determines are as effective or more effective than the electronic monitoring described in clause (i)(I).

“(iii) MODIFICATIONS.—The Director of the Bureau of Prisons may modify the conditions described in clause (i) if the Director determines that a compelling reason exists to do so, and that the prisoner has demonstrated exemplary compliance with such conditions.

“(iv) DURATION.—Except as provided in paragraph (4), a prisoner who is placed in home confinement shall remain in home confinement until the prisoner has served not less than 85 percent of the prisoner’s imposed term of imprisonment.

“(B) RESIDENTIAL REENTRY CENTER.—A prisoner placed in prerelease custody pursuant to this subsection who is placed at a residential reentry center shall be subject to such condi-
tions as the Director of the Bureau of Prisons determines appropriate.

“(3) DETERMINATION OF CONDITIONS.—In determining appropriate conditions for prisoners placed in prerelease custody pursuant to this subsection, the Director of the Bureau of Prisons shall, to the extent practicable, provide that increasingly less restrictive conditions shall be imposed on prisoners who demonstrate continued compliance with the conditions of such prerelease custody, so as to most effectively prepare such prisoners for reentry.

“(4) VIOLATIONS OF CONDITIONS.—If a prisoner violates a condition of the prisoner’s prerelease custody, the Director of the Bureau of Prisons may impose such additional conditions on the prisoner’s prerelease custody as the Director of the Bureau of Prisons determines appropriate, or revoke the prisoner’s prerelease custody and require the prisoner to serve the remainder of the term of imprisonment to which the prisoner was sentenced, or any portion thereof, in prison.

“(5) ISSUANCE OF GUIDELINES.—The Attorney General, in consultation with the Assistant Director for the Office of Probation and Pretrial Services,
shall issue guidelines, for use by the Bureau of Prisons in determining—

“(A) the appropriate type of prerelease custody and level of supervision for a prisoner placed on prerelease custody pursuant to this subsection; and

“(B) consequences for a violation of a condition of such prerelease custody by such a prisoner, including a return to prison and a reassessment of evidence-based recidivism risk level under the System.

“(6) AGREEMENTS WITH UNITED STATES PROBATION AND PRETRIAL SERVICES.—The Director of the Bureau of Prisons shall, to the greatest extent practicable, enter into agreements with United States Probation and Pretrial Services to supervise prisoners placed in home confinement or community supervision under this subsection. Such agreements shall—

“(A) authorize United States Probation and Pretrial Services to exercise the authority granted to the Director pursuant to paragraphs (3) and (4); and

“(B) take into account the resource requirements of United States Probation and
Pretrial Services as a result of the transfer of
Bureau of Prisons prisoners to prerelease cus-
tody.

“(7) ASSISTANCE.—United States Probation
and Pretrial Services shall, to the greatest extent
practicable, offer assistance to any prisoner not
under its supervision during prerelease custody
under this subsection.

“(8) MENTORING SERVICES.—Any prerelease
custody into which a prisoner is placed under this
subsection may not include a condition prohibiting
the prisoner from receiving mentoring services from
a person who provided such services to the prisoner
while the prisoner was incarcerated, except that the
warden of the facility at which the prisoner was in-
carcerated may waive the requirement under this
paragraph if the warden finds that the provision of
such services would pose a significant security risk
to the prisoner, persons who provide such services,
or any other person. The warden shall provide writ-
ten notice of any such waiver to the person providing
mentoring services and to the prisoner.

“(9) TIME LIMITS INAPPLICABLE.—The time
limits under subsections (b) and (c) shall not apply
to prerelease custody under this subsection.”.
(2) **Effective Date.**—The amendments made by this subsection shall take effect beginning on the date that the Attorney General completes and releases the risk and needs assessment system under subchapter D of chapter 229 of title 18, United States Code.

(3) **Applicability.**—The amendments made by this subsection shall apply with respect to offenses committed before, on, or after the date of the enactment of this Act, except that such amendments shall not apply with respect to offenses committed before November 1, 1987.

**SEC. 103. GAO Report.**

Not later than 2 years after the Director of the Bureau of Prisons implements the risk and needs assessment system under section 3621 of title 18, United States Code, and every 2 years thereafter, the Comptroller General of the United States shall conduct an audit of the use of the risk and needs assessment system at Bureau of Prisons facilities. The audit shall include analysis of the following:

(1) Whether inmates are being assessed under the risk and needs assessment system with the frequency required under such section 3621.

(2) Whether the Bureau of Prisons is able to offer recidivism reduction programs and productive
activities (as such terms are defined in section 3635 of title 18, United States Code).

(3) Whether the Bureau of Prisons is offering the type, amount, and intensity of recidivism reduction programs and productive activities for prisoners to earn the maximum amount of time credits for which they are eligible.

(4) Whether the Attorney General is carrying out the duties under section 3631(b) of title 18, United States Code.

(5) Whether officers and employees of the Bureau of Prisons are receiving the training described in section 3236(f) of title 18, United States Code.

(6) Whether the Bureau of Prisons offers work assignments to all prisoners who might benefit from such an assignment.

(7) Whether the Bureau of Prisons transfers prisoners to prerelease custody as soon as they are eligible for such a transfer under section 3624(g) of title 18, United States Code.

(8) The rates of recidivism among similarly classified prisoners to identify any unwarranted disparities, including disparities among similarly classified prisoners of different demographic groups, in such rates.
SEC. 104. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

(a) In General.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this title $50,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2019 through 2023. Of the amount appropriated under this subsection, 80 percent shall be reserved for use by the Director of the Bureau of Prisons to implement the system under section 102 and the amendments made by that section.

(b) Savings.—It is the sense of Congress that any savings associated with reductions in recidivism that result from this title should be reinvested—

(1) into evidence-based recidivism reduction programs offered by the Bureau of Prisons; and

(2) into ensuring eligible prisoners have access to such programs and productive activities offered by the Bureau of Prisons.

SEC. 105. RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.

Nothing in this Act, or the amendments made by this Act, may be construed to provide authority to place a prisoner in prerelease custody who is serving a term of imprisonment pursuant to a conviction for an offense under the laws of one of the 50 States, or of a territory or possession of the United States.

SEC. 106. FAITH-BASED CONSIDERATIONS.

In considering any program, treatment, regimen, group, company, charity, person or entity of any kind...
under any provision of this Act or the amendments made by this Act, the fact that it may be or is faith-based may not be a basis for any discrimination against it in any manner or for any purpose.

TITLE II—BUREAU OF PRISONS
SECURE FIREARMS STORAGE

SEC. 201. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the “Lieutenant Osvaldo Albarati Correctional Officer Self-Protection Act of 2018”.

SEC. 202. SECURE FIREARMS STORAGE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 303 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“§ 4050. Secure firearms storage

“(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

“(1) the term ‘employee’ means a qualified law enforcement officer employed by the Bureau of Prisons; and

“(2) the terms ‘firearm’ and ‘qualified law enforcement officer’ have the meanings given those terms under section 926B.

“(b) SECURE FIREARMS STORAGE.—The Director of the Bureau of Prisons shall ensure that each chief executive officer of a Federal penal or correctional institution—
“(1)(A) provides a secure storage area located outside of the secure perimeter of the institution for employees to store firearms; or

“(B) allows employees to store firearms in a vehicle lockbox approved by the Director of the Bureau of Prisons; and

“(2) notwithstanding any other provision of law, allows employees to carry concealed firearms on the premises outside of the secure perimeter of the institution.”.

(b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—

The table of sections for chapter 303 of title 18, United States Code, as amended by this Act, is further amended by adding at the end the following:

“4050. Secure firearms storage.”.

TITLE III—RESTRAINTS ON PREGNANT PRISONERS PROHIBITED

SEC. 301. USE OF RESTRAINTS ON PRISONERS DURING THE PERIOD OF PREGNANCY AND POSTPARTUM RECOVERY PROHIBITED.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 317 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 4321 the following:
§ 4322. Use of restraints on prisoners during the period of pregnancy, labor, and postpartum recovery prohibited

(a) Prohibition.—Except as provided in subsection (b), beginning on the date on which pregnancy is confirmed by a healthcare professional, and ending at the conclusion of postpartum recovery, a prisoner in the custody of the Bureau of Prisons, or in the custody of the United States Marshals Service pursuant to section 4086, shall not be placed in restraints.

(b) Exceptions.—

(1) In general.—The prohibition under subsection (a) shall not apply if—

(A) an appropriate corrections official, or a United States marshal, as applicable, makes a determination that the prisoner—

(i) is an immediate and credible flight risk that cannot reasonably be prevented by other means; or

(ii) poses an immediate and serious threat of harm to herself or others that cannot reasonably be prevented by other means; or

(B) a healthcare professional responsible for the health and safety of the prisoner deter-
mines that the use of restraints is appropriate
for the medical safety of the prisoner.

“(2) LEAST RESTRICTIVE RESTRAINTS.—In the
case that restraints are used pursuant to an excep-
tion under paragraph (1), only the least restrictive
restraints necessary to prevent the harm or risk of
escape described in paragraph (1) may be used.

“(3) APPLICATION.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The exceptions under
paragraph (1) may not be applied—

“(i) to place restraints around the an-
kles, legs, or waist of a prisoner;

“(ii) to restrain a prisoner’s hands be-
hind her back;

“(iii) to restrain a prisoner using
four-point restraints; or

“(iv) to attach a prisoner to another
prisoner.

“(B) MEDICAL REQUEST.—Notwith-
standing paragraph (1), upon the request of a
healthcare professional who is responsible for
the health and safety of a prisoner, a correc-
tions official or United States marshal, as ap-
plicable, shall refrain from using restraints on
the prisoner or remove restraints used on the prisoner.

“(c) REPORTS.—

“(1) REPORT TO THE DIRECTOR AND HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL.—If a corrections official or United States marshal uses restraints on a prisoner under subsection (b)(1), that official or marshal shall submit, not later than 30 days after placing the prisoner in restraints, to the Director of the Bureau of Prisons or the Director of the United States Marshals Service, as applicable, and to the healthcare professional responsible for the health and safety of the prisoner, a written report which describes the facts and circumstances surrounding the use of restraints, and includes—

“(A) the reasoning upon which the determination to use restraints was made;

“(B) the details of the use of restraints, including the type of restraints used and length of time during which restraints were used; and

“(C) any resulting physical effects on the prisoner observed by or known to the corrections official or United States marshal, as applicable.
“(2) SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT TO THE DIRECTOR.—Upon receipt of a report under subsection (c)(1), the healthcare professional responsible for the health and safety of the prisoner may submit to the Director such information as the healthcare professional determines is relevant to the use of restraints on the prisoner.

“(3) REPORT TO JUDICIARY COMMITTEES.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter, the Director of the Bureau of Prisons and the Director of the United States Marshals Service shall each submit to the Judiciary Committee of the Senate and of the House of Representatives a report that certifies compliance with this section and includes the information required to be reported under paragraph (1).

“(B) PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION.—The report under this paragraph shall not contain any personally identifiable information of any prisoner.

“(d) NOTICE.—Not later than 48 hours after the confirmation of a prisoner’s pregnancy by a healthcare professional, that prisoner shall be notified by an appropriate
healthcare professional, corrections official, or United States marshal, as applicable, of the restrictions on the use of restraints under this section.

“(e) VIOLATION REPORTING PROCESS.—The Director of the Bureau of Prisons, in consultation with the Director of the United States Marshals Service, shall establish a process through which a prisoner may report a violation of this section.

“(f) TRAINING.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Bureau of Prisons and the Director of the United States Marshals Service shall each develop training guidelines regarding the use of restraints on female prisoners during the period of pregnancy, labor, and postpartum recovery, and shall incorporate such guidelines into appropriate training programs. Such training guidelines shall include—

“(A) how to identify certain symptoms of pregnancy that require immediate referral to a healthcare professional;

“(B) circumstances under which the exceptions under subsection (b) would apply;

“(C) in the case that an exception under subsection (b) applies, how to apply restraints
in a way that does not harm the prisoner, the
fetus, or the neonate;

“(D) the information required to be re-
ported under subsection (e); and

“(E) the right of a healthcare professional
to request that restraints not be used, and the
requirement under subsection (b)(3)(B) to com-
ply with such a request.

“(2) DEVELOPMENT OF GUIDELINES.—In de-
developing the guidelines required by paragraph (1),
the Directors shall each consult with healthcare pro-
fessionals with expertise in caring for women during
the period of pregnancy and postpartum recovery.

“(g) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section:

“(1) The term ‘postpartum recovery’ means the
12-week period, or longer as determined by the
healthcare professional responsible for the health
and safety of the prisoner, following delivery, and
shall include the entire period that the prisoner is in
the hospital or infirmary.

“(2) The term ‘restraints’ means any physical
or mechanical device used to control the movement
of a prisoner’s body, limbs, or both.

“(3) The term ‘prisoner’ means a person who
has been sentenced to a term of imprisonment pur-
suant to a conviction for a Federal criminal offense, or a person in the custody of the Bureau of Prisons, including a person in a Bureau of Prisons contracted facility.”.

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections at the beginning of chapter 317 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by adding after the item relating to section 4321 the following:

“4322. Use of restraints on prisoners during the period of pregnancy, labor, and postpartum recovery prohibited.”.

TITLE IV—MISCELLANEOUS CRIMINAL JUSTICE

SEC. 401. PLACEMENT OF PRISONERS CLOSE TO FAMILIES. Subsection (b) of section 3621 of title 18, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking “shall designate the place of the prisoner’s imprisonment.” and inserting “shall designate the place of the prisoner’s imprisonment, and shall, subject to bed availability, the prisoner’s security designation, the prisoner’s programmatic needs, the prisoner’s mental and medical health needs, any request made by the prisoner related to faith-based needs, recommendations of the sentencing court, and other security concerns of the Bureau of Prisons, place the prisoner in a facility as close as practicable to the prisoner’s primary residence, and to the ex-
tent practicable, in a facility within 500 driving
miles of that residence. The Bureau shall, subject to
consideration of the factors described in the pre-
ceeding sentence and the prisoner’s preference for
staying at his or her current facility or being trans-
ferred, transfer prisoners to facilities that are closer
to the prisoner’s primary residence even if the pris-
oner is already in a facility within 500 driving miles
of that residence.”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following: “Not-
withstanding any other provision of law, a designa-
tion of a place of imprisonment under this sub-
section is not reviewable by any court.”.

SEC. 402. HOME CONFINEMENT FOR LOW RISK PRISONERS.

Section 3624(c)(2) of title 18, United States Code,
is amended by adding at the end the following: “The Bu-
reau of Prisons shall, to the extent practicable, place pris-
oners with lower risk levels and lower needs on home con-
finement for the maximum amount of time permitted
under this paragraph.”. 
SEC. 403. FEDERAL PRISONER REENTRY INITIATIVE REAUTHORIZATION; MODIFICATION OF IMPOSED TERM OF IMPRISONMENT.

(a) Federal Prisoner Reentry Initiative Reauthorization.—Section 231(g) of the Second Chance Act of 2007 (34 U.S.C. 60541(g)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1)—

(A) by inserting “and eligible terminally ill offenders” after “elderly offenders” each place the term appears;

(B) in subparagraph (A), by striking “a Bureau of Prisons facility” and inserting “Bureau of Prisons facilities”; and

(C) in subparagraph (B)—

(i) by striking “the Bureau of Prisons facility” and inserting “Bureau of Prisons facilities”; and

(ii) by inserting “, upon written request from either the Bureau of Prisons or an eligible elderly offender or eligible terminally ill offender” after “to home detention”; and

(D) in subparagraph (C), by striking “the Bureau of Prisons facility” and inserting “Bureau of Prisons facilities”;
(2) in paragraph (2), by inserting “or eligible terminally ill offender” after “elderly offender”;

(3) in paragraph (3)—

(A) by striking “at least one Bureau of Prisons facility” and inserting “Bureau of Prisons facilities”; and

(B) by striking “and shall be carried out during fiscal years 2009 and 2010” and inserting “and shall be carried out during fiscal years 2019 through 2022”;

(4) in paragraph (4)—

(A) by inserting “or eligible terminally ill offender” after “each eligible elderly offender”; and

(B) by inserting “and eligible terminally ill offenders” after “eligible elderly offenders”; and

(5) in paragraph (5)—

(A) in subparagraph (A)—

(i) in clause (i), striking “65 years of age” and inserting “60 years of age”; and

(ii) in clause (ii)—

(I) by striking “the greater of 10 years or”; and
(II) by striking “75 percent” and
inserting “2⁄3”; and

(B) by adding at the end the following:

“(D) ELIGIBLE TERMINALLY ILL OFFENDER.—The term ‘eligible terminally ill offender’ means an offender in the custody of the
Bureau of Prisons who—

“(i) is serving a term of imprisonment
based on conviction for an offense or offenses that do not include any crime of vio-

18, United States Code, sex offense (as
defined in section 111(5) of the Sex Of-
fender Registration and Notification Act
(34 U.S.C. 20911(5))), offense described
in section 2332b(g)(5)(B) of title 18,
United States Code, or offense under chap-
ter 37 of title 18, United States Code;

“(ii) satisfies the criteria specified in
clauses (iii) through (vii) of subparagraph
(A); and

“(iii) has been determined by a med-
ical doctor approved by the Bureau of
Prisons to be—

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“(I) in need of care at a nursing home, intermediate care facility, or assisted living facility, as those terms are defined in section 232 of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1715w); or

“(II) diagnosed with a terminal illness.”

(b) INCREASING THE USE AND TRANSPARENCY OF COMPASSIONATE RELEASE.—Section 3582 of title 18, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in subsection (c)(1)(A), in the matter preceding clause (i), by inserting after “Bureau of Prisons,” the following: “or upon motion of the defendant after the defendant has fully exhausted all administrative rights to appeal a failure of the Bureau of Prisons to bring a motion on the defendant’s behalf or the lapse of 30 days from the receipt of such a request by the warden of the defendant’s facility, whichever is earlier,”;

(2) by redesignating subsection (d) as subsection (e); and

(3) by inserting after subsection (e) the following:

“(d) NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.—
“(1) Terminal illness defined.—In this subsection, the term ‘terminal illness’ means a disease or condition with an end-of-life trajectory.

“(2) Notification.—The Bureau of Prisons shall, subject to any applicable confidentiality requirements—

“(A) in the case of a defendant diagnosed with a terminal illness—

“(i) not later than 72 hours after the diagnosis notify the defendant’s attorney, partner, and family members of the defendant’s condition and inform the defendant’s attorney, partner, and family members that they may prepare and submit on the defendant’s behalf a request for a sentence reduction pursuant to subsection (c)(1)(A);

“(ii) not later than 7 days after the date of the diagnosis, provide the defendant’s partner and family members (including extended family) with an opportunity to visit the defendant in person;

“(iii) upon request from the defendant or his attorney, partner, or a family member, ensure that Bureau of Prisons employ—
ees assist the defendant in the preparation, drafting, and submission of a request for a sentence reduction pursuant to subsection (c)(1)(A); and

“(iv) not later than 14 days of receipt of a request for a sentence reduction submitted on the defendant’s behalf by the defendant or the defendant’s attorney, partner, or family member, process the request;

“(B) in the case of a defendant who is physically or mentally unable to submit a request for a sentence reduction pursuant to subsection (c)(1)(A)—

“(i) inform the defendant’s attorney, partner, and family members that they may prepare and submit on the defendant’s behalf a request for a sentence reduction pursuant to subsection (c)(1)(A);

“(ii) accept and process a request for sentence reduction that has been prepared and submitted on the defendant’s behalf by the defendant’s attorney, partner, or family member under clause (i); and
“(iii) upon request from the defendant or his attorney, partner, or family member, ensure that Bureau of Prisons employees assist the defendant in the preparation, drafting, and submission of a request for a sentence reduction pursuant to subsection (c)(1)(A); and

“(C) ensure that all Bureau of Prisons facilities regularly and visibly post, including in prisoner handbooks, staff training materials, and facility law libraries and medical and hospice facilities, and make available to prisoners upon demand, notice of—

“(i) a defendant’s ability to request a sentence reduction pursuant to subsection (c)(1)(A);

“(ii) the procedures and timelines for initiating and resolving requests described in clause (i); and

“(iii) the right to appeal a denial of a request described in clause (i) after all administrative rights to appeal within the Bureau of Prisons have been exhausted.

“(3) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this subsection, and
once every year thereafter, the Director of the Bu-
reau of Prisons shall submit to the Committee on
the Judiciary of the Senate and the Committee on
the Judiciary of the House of Representatives a re-
port on requests for sentence reductions pursuant to
subsection (c)(1)(A), which shall include a descrip-
tion of, for the previous year—

“(A) the number of prisoners granted and
denied sentence reductions, categorized by the
criteria relied on as the grounds for a reduction
in sentence;

“(B) the number of requests initiated by
or on behalf of prisoners, categorized by the cri-
teria relied on as the grounds for a reduction
in sentence;

“(C) the number of requests which Bureau
of Prisons employees assisted prisoners in
drafting, preparing, or submitting, categorized
by the criteria relied on as the grounds for a re-
duction in sentence, and the final decision made
in each request;

“(D) the number of requests which attor-
eyes, partners, or family members submitted on
a defendant’s behalf, categorized by the criteria
relied on as the grounds for a reduction in sen-
tence, and the final decision made in each re-
quest;

“(E) the number of requests approved by
the Director of the Bureau of Prisons, cat-
egorized by the criteria relied on as the grounds
for a reduction in sentence;

“(F) the number of requests denied by the
Director of the Bureau of Prisons and the rea-
sons given for each denial, categorized by the
criteria relied on as the grounds for a reduction
in sentence;

“(G) for each request, the time elapsed be-
tween the date the request was received by the
warden and the final decision, categorized by
the criteria relied on as the grounds for a re-
duction in sentence;

“(H) for each request, the number of pris-
oners who died while their request was pending
and, for each, the amount of time that had
elapsed between the date the request was re-
ceived by the Bureau of Prisons, categorized by
the criteria relied on as the grounds for a re-
duction in sentence;

“(I) the number of Bureau of Prisons noti-
fications to attorneys, partners, and family
members of their right to visit a terminally ill
defendant as required under paragraph
(2)(A)(ii) and, for each, whether a visit oc-
curred and how much time elapsed between the
notification and the visit;
“(J) the number of visits to terminally ill
prisoners that were denied by the Bureau of
Prisons due to security or other concerns, and
the reasons given for each denial; and
“(K) the number of motions filed by de-
fendants with the court after all administrative
rights to appeal a denial of a sentence reduction
had been exhausted, the outcome of each mo-
tion, and the time that had elapsed between the
date the request was first received by the Bu-
reau of Prisons and the date the defendant filed
the motion with the court.”.

SEC. 404. IDENTIFICATION FOR RETURNING CITIZENS.

(a) IDENTIFICATION AND RELEASE ASSISTANCE FOR
FEDERAL PRISONERS.—Section 231(b) of the Second
Chance Act of 2007 (34 U.S.C. 60541(b)) is amended—
(1) in paragraph (1)—
(A) by striking “(including” and inserting
“prior to release from a term of imprisonment
in a Federal prison or if the individual was not
sentenced to a term of imprisonment in a Federal prison, prior to release from a sentence to a term in community confinement, including”; and

(B) by striking “or birth certificate) prior to release” and inserting “and a birth certificate”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

“(4) DEFINITION.—In this subsection, the term ‘community confinement’ means residence in a community treatment center, halfway house, restitution center, mental health facility, alcohol or drug rehabilitation center, or other community facility.”.

(b) DUTIES OF THE BUREAU OF PRISONS.—Section 4042(a) of title 18, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by redesignating paragraphs (D) and (E) as paragraphs (6) and (7), respectively;

(2) in paragraph (6) (as so redesignated)—

(A) in clause (i)—

(i) by striking “Social Security Cards,”; and

(ii) by striking “and” at the end;

(B) by redesignating clause (ii) as clause (iii);
(C) by inserting after clause (i) the following:

“(ii) obtain identification, including a social security card, driver’s license or other official photo identification, and a birth certificate; and”;

(D) in clause (iii) (as so redesignated), by inserting after “prior to release” the following: “from a sentence to a term of imprisonment in a Federal prison or if the individual was not sentenced to a term of imprisonment in a Federal prison, prior to release from a sentence to a term of community confinement”; and

(E) by redesignating clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) (as so amended) as subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C), respectively; and

(3) in paragraph (7) (as so redesignated), by redesignating clauses (i) through (vii) as subparagraphs (A) through (G), respectively.

SEC. 405. EXPANDING INMATE EMPLOYMENT THROUGH FEDERAL PRISON INDUSTRIES.

(a) NEW MARKET AUTHORIZATIONS.—Chapter 307 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 4129 the following:
§ 4130. Additional markets

“(a) In General.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, Federal Prison Industries may sell products to—

“(1) public entities for use in penal or correctional institutions;

“(2) public entities for use in disaster relief or emergency response;

“(3) the government of the District of Columbia; and

“(4) any organization described in section 501(e)(3), (e)(4), or (d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 that is exempt from taxation under section 501(a) of such Code.

“(b) Definitions.—In this section:

“(1) The term ‘public entity’ means a State, a subdivision of a State, an Indian tribe, and an agency or governmental corporation or business of any of the foregoing.

“(2) The term ‘State’ means a State, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the United States Virgin Islands.”.

(b) Technical Amendment.—The table of sections for chapter 307 of title 18, United States Code, is amend-
ed by inserting after the item relating to section 4129 the
following:

“4130. Additional markets.”.

(c) DEFERRED COMPENSATION.—Section 4126(c)(4) of title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting
after “operations,” the following: “not less than 15 per-
cent of such compensation for any inmate shall be reserved
in the fund or a separate account and made available to
assist the inmate with costs associated with release from
prison,.”.

SEC. 406. DE-ESCALATION TRAINING.

Beginning not later than 1 year after the date of the
enactment of this Act, the Director of the Bureau of Pris-
ons shall incorporate into training programs provided to
officers and employees of the Bureau of Prisons (including
officers and employees of an organization with which the
Bureau of Prisons has a contract to provide services relat-
ing to imprisonment) specialized and comprehensive train-
ing in procedures to—

(1) de-escalate encounters between a law en-
forcement officer or an officer or employee of the
Bureau of Prisons, and a civilian or a prisoner (as
such term is defined in section 106 of this Act); and

(2) identify and appropriately respond to inci-
dents that involve the unique needs of individuals
who have a mental illness or cognitive deficit.
SEC. 407. EVIDENCE-BASED TREATMENT FOR OPIOID AND HEROIN ABUSE.

(a) Report on Evidence-Based Treatment for Opioid and Heroin Abuse.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the Bureau of Prisons shall submit to the Committees on the Judiciary and the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and of the House of Representatives a report assessing the availability of and the capacity of the Bureau of Prisons to treat heroin and opioid abuse through evidence-based programs, including medication-assisted treatment where appropriate. In preparing the report, the Director shall consider medication-assisted treatment as a strategy to assist in treatment where appropriate and not as a replacement for holistic and other drug-free approaches. The report shall include a description of plans to expand access to evidence-based treatment for heroin and opioid abuse for prisoners, including access to medication-assisted treatment in appropriate cases. Following submission, the Director shall take steps to implement these plans.

(b) Report on the Availability of Medication-Assisted Treatment for Opioid and Heroin Abuse, and Implementation Thereof.—Not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States
Courts shall submit to the Committees on the Judiciary and the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and of the House of Representatives a report assessing the availability of and capacity for the provision of medication-assisted treatment for opioid and heroin abuse by treatment-service providers serving prisoners who are serving a term of supervised release, and including a description of plans to expand access to medication-assisted treatment for heroin and opioid abuse whenever appropriate among prisoners under supervised release. Following submission, the Director will take steps to implement these plans.

SEC. 408. PILOT PROGRAMS.

(a) In general.—The Bureau of Prisons shall establish each of the following pilot programs for 5 years, in at least 20 facilities:

(1) Mentorship for youth.—A program to pair youth with volunteers from faith-based or community organizations, which may include formerly incarcerated offenders, that have relevant experience or expertise in mentoring, and a willingness to serve as a mentor in such a capacity.

(2) Service to abandoned, rescued, or otherwise vulnerable animals.—A program to equip prisoners with the skills to provide training and therapy to animals seized by Federal law en-
forgement under asset forfeiture authority and to or-
ganizations that provide shelter and similar services
to abandoned, rescued, or otherwise vulnerable ani-
mals.

(b) **Reporting Requirement.**—Not later than 1
year after the conclusion of the pilot programs, the Attor-
ney General shall report to Congress on the results of the
pilot programs under this section. Such report shall in-
clude cost savings, numbers of participants, and informa-
tion about recidivism rates among participants.

(c) **Definition.**—In this title, the term “youth”
means a prisoner (as such term is defined in section 106)
who was 21 years of age or younger at the time of the
commission or alleged commission of the criminal offense
for which the individual is being prosecuted or serving a
term of imprisonment, as the case may be.

**SEC. 409. ENSURING SUPERVISION OF RELEASED SEXU-
ALLY DANGEROUS PERSONS.**

(a) **Probation Officers.**—Section 3603 of title 18,
United States Code, is amended in paragraph (8)(A) by
striking “or 4246” and inserting “, 4246, or 4248”.

(b) **Prettrial Services Officers.**—Section 3154
of title 18, United States Code, is amended in paragraph
(12)(A) by striking “or 4246” and inserting “, 4246, or
4248”.

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(a) **National Prisoner Statistics Program.—**

Beginning not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter, pursuant to the authority under section 302 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3732), the Director of the Bureau of Justice Statistics, with information that shall be provided by the Director of the Bureau of Prisons, shall include in the National Prisoner Statistics Program the following:

1. The number of prisoners (as such term is defined in section 106 of this Act) who are veterans of the Armed Forces of the United States.

2. The number of prisoners who have been placed in solitary confinement at any time during the previous year.

3. The number of female prisoners known by the Bureau of Prisons to be pregnant, as well as the outcomes of such pregnancies, including information on pregnancies that result in live-birth, still-birth, miscarriage, abortion, ectopic pregnancy, maternal death, neonatal death, and preterm birth.

4. The numbers of prisoners who volunteered to participate in a substance abuse treatment program, and the number of prisoners who have participated in such a program.
(5) The number of prisoners provided medication-assisted treatment with medication approved by the Food and Drug Administration while in custody in order to treat substance use disorder.

(6) The number of prisoners who were receiving medication-assisted treatment with medication approved by the Food and Drug Administration prior to the commencement of their term of imprisonment.

(7) The number of prisoners who are the parent or guardian of a minor child.

(8) The numbers of prisoners who are single, married, or otherwise in a committed relationship.

(9) The number of prisoners who have not achieved a GED, high school diploma, or equivalent prior to entering prison.

(10) The number of prisoners who, during the previous year, received their GED or other equivalent certificate while incarcerated.

(11) The numbers of prisoners for whom English is a second language.

(12) The number of incidents, during the previous year, in which restraints were used on a female prisoner during pregnancy, labor, or postpartum recovery, as well as information relating to the type of
restraints used, and the circumstances under which each incident occurred.

(13) The vacancy rate for medical and healthcare staff positions, and average length of such a vacancy.

(14) The number of facilities that operated, at any time during the previous year, without at least one clinical nurse, certified paramedic, or licensed physician on-site.

(15) The number of facilities that during the previous year were accredited by the American Correctional Association.

(16) The number and type of recidivism reduction partnerships described in section 3621(h)(5) of title 18, United States Code, entered into by each facility.

(17) The number of facilities with remote learning capabilities.

(18) The number of facilities that offer prisoners video conferencing.

(19) Any changes in costs related to legal phone calls and visits following implementation of section 403 of this Act.

(20) The number of aliens in prison during the previous year.
(21) For each Bureau of Prisons facility, the total number of violations that resulted in reductions in rewards, incentives, or time credits, the number of such violations for each category of violation, and the demographic breakdown of the prisoners who have received such reductions.

(22) The number of assaults on Bureau of Prisons staff by prisoners and the number of criminal prosecutions of prisoners for assaulting Bureau of Prisons staff.

(23) The capacity of each recidivism reduction program and productive activity to accommodate eligible inmates at each Bureau of Prisons facility.

(24) The number of volunteers who were certified to volunteer in a Bureau of Prisons facility, broken down by level (level I and level II), and by each Bureau of Prisons facility.

(25) The number of prisoners enrolled in recidivism reduction programs and productive activities at each Bureau of Prisons facility, broken down by risk level and by program, and the number of those enrolled prisoners who successfully completed each program.

(26) The breakdown of prisoners classified at each risk level by demographic characteristics, in-
including age, sex, race, and the length of the sentence
imposed.

(b) Report to Judiciary Committees.—Beginning not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment
of this Act, and annually thereafter for a period of 7 years, the Director of the Bureau of Justice Statistics shall submit a report containing the information described in paragraphs (1) through (26) of subsection (a) to the Committees on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives and of the Senate.

SEC. 411. HEALTHCARE PRODUCTS.

(a) Availability.—The Director of the Bureau of Prisons shall make the healthcare products described in subsection (c) available to prisoners for free, in a quantity that is appropriate to the healthcare needs of each prisoner.

(b) Quality Products.—The Director shall ensure that the healthcare products provided under this section conform with applicable industry standards.

(c) Products.—The healthcare products described in this subsection are tampons and sanitary napkins.
SEC. 412. PRISON RAPE ELIMINATION STANDARDS AUDITORS.

Section 8(e)(8) of the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003 (34 U.S.C. 30307(e)(8)) is amended to read as follows:

“(8) Standards for Auditors.—

“(A) In General.—

“(i) Background checks for Auditors.—An individual seeking certification by the Department of Justice to serve as an auditor of prison compliance with the national standards described in subsection (a) shall, upon request, submit fingerprints in the manner determined by the Attorney General for criminal history record checks of the applicable State and Federal Bureau of Investigation repositories.

“(ii) Certification Agreements.—Each auditor certified under this paragraph shall sign a certification agreement that includes the provisions of, or provisions that are substantially similar to, the Bureau of Justice Assistance’s Auditor Certification Agreement in use in April 2018.
“(iii) AUDITOR EVALUATION.—The PREA Management Office of the Bureau of Justice Assistance shall evaluate all auditors based on the criteria contained in the certification agreement. In the case that an auditor fails to comply with a certification agreement or to conduct audits in accordance with the PREA Auditor Handbook, audit methodology, and instrument approved by the PREA Management Office, the Office may take remedial or disciplinary action, as appropriate, including decertifying the auditor in accordance with subparagraph (B).

“(B) AUDITOR DECERTIFICATION.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—The PREA Management Office may suspend an auditor’s certification during an evaluation of an auditor’s performance under subparagraph (A)(iii). The PREA Management Office shall promptly publish the names of auditors who have been decertified, and the reason for decertification. Auditors who have been decertified or are on suspension may not participate in audits described in
subsection (a), including as an agent of a
certified auditor.

“(ii) NOTIFICATION.—In the case that
an auditor is decertified, the PREA Man-
agement Office shall inform each facility or
agency at which the auditor performed an
audit during the relevant 3-year audit
cycle, and may recommend that the agency
repeat any affected audits, if appropriate.

“(C) AUDIT ASSIGNMENTS.—The PREA
Management Office shall establish a system, to
be administered by the Office, for assigning cer-
tified auditors to Federal, State, and local fa-
cilities.

“(D) DISCLOSURE OF DOCUMENTATION.—
The Director of the Bureau of Prisons shall
comply with each request for documentation
necessary to conduct an audit under subsection
(a), which is made by a certified auditor in ac-
cordance with the provisions of the certification
agreement described in subparagraph (A)(ii).
The Director of the Bureau of Prisons may re-
quire an auditor to sign a confidentiality agree-
ment or other agreement designed to address
the auditor’s use of personally identifiable infor-
mation, except that such an agreement may not
limit an auditor’s ability to provide all such doc-
umentation to the Department of Justice, as re-
quired under section 115.401(j) of title 28,
Code of Federal Regulations.”.

SEC. 413. ADULT AND JUVENILE COLLABORATION PRO-
GRAMS.

Section 2991 of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control
and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. 10651) is amend-
ed—
(1) by striking subsection (b)(4)(D);
(2) in subsection (e), by striking “may use up
to 3 percent” and inserting “shall use not less than
6 percent”; and
(3) by amending subsection (g) to read as fol-
lows:
“(g) COLLABORATION SET ASIDE.—The Attorney
General shall use not less than 8 percent of funds appro-
priated to provide technical assistance to State and local
governments receiving grants under this part to foster col-
laboration between such governments in furtherance of the
purposes set forth in section 3 of the Mentally Ill Offender
Passed the House of Representatives May 22, 2018.

Attest:

Clerk.
AN ACT

To provide for programs to help reduce the risk that prisoners will recidivate upon release from prison, and for other purposes.

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