

House Bill No. 55

An act relating to the restoration of civil rights; requiring that the administrator of a county detention facility provide an application form for the restoration of civil rights to a prisoner who has been convicted of a felony and is serving a sentence in that facility; providing that this act shall not apply to prisoners who are transferred to the Department of Corrections; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Procedure for requesting restoration of civil rights of county prisoners convicted of felonies.—

(1) With respect to a person who has been convicted of a felony and is serving a sentence in a county detention facility, the administrator of the county detention facility shall provide to the prisoner, at least 2 weeks before discharge, if possible, an application form obtained from the Parole Commission which the prisoner must complete in order to begin the process of having his or her civil rights restored.

(2) This section shall not apply to prisoners who are discharged from a county detention facility to the custody or control of the Department of Corrections.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.

Approved by the Governor June 12, 2006.

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