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89.134. (GP: DOC & PPP Consolidation Study) There is created a study committee to study and develop a plan to consolidate the functions of the Department of Corrections and the Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services. The plan must include an estimate of cost savings that may be realized from the consolidation of both agencies.

The study committee shall be composed of the Governor, or his designee; the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, or his designee; the Speaker of the House of Representatives, or his designee; the Chairman of the Senate Corrections and Penology Committee, or his designee; the Chairman of the House of Representatives Medical, Military and Municipal Affairs Committee, or his designee; the Director of the Department of Corrections, or his designee; and the Director of the Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services, or his designee. The members of the study committee shall elect a chairman.

The study committee shall accept committee staffing and coordination from the appropriate committees of the Senate and House of Representatives. The members of the study committee shall serve without mileage, per diem, and subsistence. The study committee shall meet as often as is necessary, and shall convene no later than sixty days after the effective date of this act.

The study committee shall submit its plan to the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, the Chairman of the House of Representatives Ways and Means Committee, the Chairman of the Senate Corrections and Penology Committee, and the Chairman of the House of Representatives Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs Committee no later than December 31, 2010, at which point the study committee shall dissolve.