

Information from SCDC

Current SCDC work programs are following the majority of the procedures listed in the proposed legislation H.3971. The courts should be allowed to make recommendations to the program; however, the ultimate decision making authority lies with the department. SCDC ensures only those inmates at the lowest risk of escape and/or committing additional criminal offenses are assigned to work release. All factors, to include current and prior offenses, pending detainers, disciplinary history, sex offenses, mental health status, and physical ability are currently utilized to assign inmates to these facilities. Inmates assigned to labor crews must be eight (8) years or less from maxout and inmates assigned to work programs must be five (5) years or less from maxout as well as meet other specified criteria. SCDC currently has 432 inmates assigned to the labor crew and 244 inmates are assigned to the work program.