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Brief Description: Revising provisions for the release of sex offenders.

**HB 2482 - DIGEST**

Provides that the department of corrections is responsible for public notification with respect to an offender classified as level II or III who is being released from a state correctional facility.

Provides that the department of social and health services is responsible for public notification with respect to an offender classified as level II or III who is being released from a juvenile rehabilitation administration facility.

Requires the agencies to make a good faith effort to accomplish such notification at least fourteen days before the offender is released from confinement. In no case may this notification provision be construed to require an extension of an offender's release date.

Requires that, in approving residence locations for level II and III sex offenders, the department shall take into consideration the proximity of the residence locations of other level II and III sex offenders, with the intention of limiting the number of such offenders living in any one area.