

Mandatory Parole Subcommittee

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• The Subcommittee met 8 times between May and November 2015

Update the statute that describes the purpose of parole in Colorado by amending C.R.S. 17-22.5-102.5 to reflect contemporary and evidence-based practices.

Current Purposes of Parole

(C.R.S. 17-22.5-102.5)

- To punish a convicted offender by assuring that his length of incarceration and period of parole supervision are in relation to the seriousness of his offense
- To assure the fair and consistent treatment of all convicted offenders by eliminating unjustified disparity in length of incarceration, and establishing fair procedures for the imposition of a period of parole supervision; and
- To promote rehabilitation by encouraging the successful reintegration of convicted offenders into the community while recognizing the need for public safety.

PROPOSED Purposes of Parole

(C.R.S. 17-22.5-102.5)

[Meeting amendment in **BOLD**]

- To further all purposes of sentencing and to improve public safety by reducing the incidence of TECHNICAL VIOLATIONS AND crime committed by people on parole
- To prepare, select, and assist people who, after serving a statutorily defined period of incarceration, will be transitioned and returned to the community
- To set individualized conditions of parole and to provide supervision services and support to assist the people on parole in addressing identified risks and needs
- To achieve a successful discharge from parole supervision for people on parole through compliance with the terms and conditions of release which address their risks and needs

Questions?