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Chapter No.: 26

Prime Sponsor: Joint Judiciary Interim Committee

Catch Title: **Corrections exception to defense of habitation law.**

Subject: Presumption of reasonable self-defense not applicable in corrections settings.

Summary/Major Elements:

- Current law provides a presumption that a resident who uses force in self-defense while in their home reasonably feared imminent peril of death or serious bodily injury. This act specifies that the definition of home does not include a prison, jail or other secure facility that houses inmates.
- The current statute also lists exceptions to which the presumption does not apply, including using force against peace officers while they are acting in performance of official duties. This act expands the list of exceptions to include department of corrections employees while acting in performance of official duties.

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