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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED BY KINSEY, GUZMAN, SCHLOSSBERG, McNEILL, N. NELSON,  
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STRUZZI, JUNE 17, 2021

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JUNE 17, 2021

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 61 (Prisons and Parole) of the Pennsylvania  
2 Consolidated Statutes, in general administration relating to  
3 correctional institutions, providing for prerelease briefings  
4 on veterans benefits.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Title 61 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
8 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

9 § 1106. Prerelease briefings on veterans benefits.

10 Prior to the release from a State correctional institution of  
11 an inmate who is a veteran, the department shall conduct a  
12 briefing with the inmate to explain and share information  
13 relating to Federal and State benefits available to veterans and  
14 their families and how to apply for the benefits.

15 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.