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HOUSE BILL 308: Regulatory Reform Act of 2020, Sec. 26: Authorize Local Confinement Facilities to Provide and Use Wireless Communication Devices

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Analysis of:	Sec. 26 of S.L. 2020-74		

OVERVIEW: *Section 26 of S.L. 2020-74 authorizes local confinement facilities to provide inmates with a mobile telephone or other wireless communication device if the specific device has been approved by the sheriff or other person in charge of the local confinement facility for use by inmates, and the device is provided to the inmate in a manner consistent with the approved use of that device.*

This section became effective August 1, 2020, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date. This section does not abate or affect prosecutions for offenses committed before the effective date of this section.

CURRENT LAW: Current law makes providing a mobile telephone or other wireless communication device to an inmate of a local confinement facility a felony.

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