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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to earned time accrual by an inmate at a  
2 correctional institution of the department of corrections.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 903A.2, subsection 1, paragraph a,  
2 unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2009, is amended to read as  
3 follows:

4 Category "A" sentences are those sentences which are not  
5 subject to a maximum accumulation of earned time of fifteen  
6 percent of the total sentence of confinement under section  
7 902.12. To the extent provided in subsection 5, category "A"  
8 sentences also include life sentences imposed under section  
9 902.1. An inmate of an institution under the control of  
10 the department of corrections who is serving a category "A"  
11 sentence is eligible for a reduction of sentence equal to  
12 one and ~~two-tenths~~ one-half days for each day the inmate  
13 demonstrates good conduct and satisfactorily participates in  
14 any program or placement status identified by the director to  
15 earn the reduction. The programs include but are not limited  
16 to the following:

17 EXPLANATION

18 This bill relates to the calculation of earned time for an  
19 inmate.

20 Under the bill, the amount of earned time an inmate is  
21 eligible to earn for a reduction of sentence increases from  
22 1.2 days to 1.5 days for each day the inmate demonstrates  
23 good conduct and satisfactorily participates in any program  
24 or placement status identified by the director to earn the  
25 reduction.