

**904A.4 Duties of the board of parole.**

1. The board of parole shall interview and consider inmates for parole and work release and a majority vote of the members is required to grant a parole or work release.
2. The board of parole shall interview inmates according to administrative rules adopted by the board.
3. The board of parole shall gather and review information regarding new parole and work release programs being instituted or considered nationwide and determine which programs may be useful for this state. The board shall review the current parole and work release programs and procedures used in this state on an annual basis.
4. The board of parole shall increase utilization of data processing and computerization to assist in the orderly conduct of the parole and work release system.
5. The board of parole shall conduct such studies of the parole and work release system as are requested by the governor and the general assembly.
6. The board of parole shall provide technical assistance and counseling related to the board's purposes to public and private entities.
7. The board of parole shall review and make recommendations to the governor regarding all applications for reprieves, pardons, commutation of sentences, remission of fines or forfeitures, or restoration of citizenship rights as required by [chapter 914](#).
8.
  - a. The board of parole shall implement a risk assessment program which shall provide risk assessment analysis for the board.
  - b. The board of parole shall also develop a risk assessment validated for domestic abuse-related offenses in consultation with the department of corrections. The board may adopt rules pursuant to [chapter 17A](#) relating to the use of the domestic abuse risk assessment. [86 Acts, ch 1245, §1514; 88 Acts, ch 1091, §3; 89 Acts, ch 282, §3; 2017 Acts, ch 83, §8](#)