CHAPTER 149

Original Senate File No. 58

PROBATION AND PAROLE COUNSELING

AN ACT to create sections 7-338.1 and 7-338.2 of the statutes relating to a volunteer probation and parole counseling program; authorizing the state probation and parole officer to select and train volunteers to assist in probationer and parolee counseling; limiting volunteer authority; and providing for reimbursement of volunteer expenses.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

Section 1. Sections 7-338.1 and 7-338.2 of the statutes are created to read:

ARTICLE 4.1

VOLUNTEER PROBATION AND PAROLE

COUNSELING PROGRAM

7-338.1. Volunteers may assist state probation and parole officer and field supervisors; reimbursement for expenses.

(a) In order to further the objectives of sections 7-324 through 7-337 of the statutes, the state probation and parole officer is authorized to select, organize and train local volunteer citizens of good moral character, who, acting under his supervision, may:

- (i) Advise and assist field supervisors of probationers and parolees with special reference to vocational and technical education;
- (ii) Maintain liason with all appropriate municipal, county, state and federal agencies whose services aid in the reintegration of offenders into society;
- (iii) Assist in programs relating to the social, moral and psychological needs of persons released under probation and parole supervision;
- (iv) Not receive compensation from the state treasury. However, at the discretion of the state probation and and parole officer, volunteers may be reimbursed for necessary and actual expenses incurred in performing the duties described herein.

7-338.2. Volunteers do not have power of arrest, etc. Volunteers do not have power of arrest nor the right to executive process.

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