

# SENATE, No. 734

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**SYNOPSIS**

Authorizes Commissioner of Corrections to establish program to operate managed cellular access system within State correctional facilities.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As reported by the Senate Law and Public Safety Committee with technical review.



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1 AN ACT concerning managed cellular access systems in State  
2 correctional facilities and supplementing Title 30 of the Revised  
3 Statutes.

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5 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
6 of New Jersey:

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8 1. As used in P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before the  
9 Legislature as this bill):

10 "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Corrections.

11 "Managed cellular access system" means a communications  
12 system consisting of technology and equipment which deploy a  
13 secure cellular communications network within the bounds of a  
14 State correctional facility to permit the authorized transmission of  
15 voice, text messages, images, and other data to and from cellular  
16 telephones and other wireless communications devices.

17 "State correctional facility" means a State prison or other penal  
18 institution.

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20 2. a. The commissioner is authorized to establish a program  
21 within the department to install and operate at a State correctional  
22 facility a managed cellular access system.

23 b. If a managed cellular access system is established pursuant  
24 to subsection a. of this section, the commissioner shall ensure that  
25 the managed cellular access system:

26 (1) operates in a manner consistent with applicable federal  
27 statutory law, rules, and regulations;

28 (2) does not interfere with the transmission or reception of 9-1-1  
29 and other emergency communications;

30 (3) operates at the lowest possible transmission power level  
31 necessary to permit the authorized transmission of voice, text  
32 messages, images, and other data to and from cellular telephones  
33 and other wireless communications devices; and

34 (4) operates in a manner that does not interfere with the  
35 transmission and reception of signals from cellular telephones and  
36 other wireless communications devices that originate and terminate  
37 outside of a State correctional facility by operating the managed  
38 cellular access system on a directionalized basis, by utilizing all  
39 other interference-limiting capabilities of the managed cellular  
40 access system, or by otherwise limiting the operation of the  
41 managed cellular access system.

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43 3. The commissioner shall annually report to the Governor,  
44 and, pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164 (C.52:14-19.1), to the  
45 Legislature, on the effectiveness of the program if the program is  
46 established pursuant to section 2 of P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending  
47 before the Legislature as this bill).

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- 1       4. This act shall take effect immediately, but shall remain
- 2       inoperative for 60 days following the date of enactment.