

(i) 1. In 1988, the educational standard shall be the 6th grade equivalent in reading on the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE);

2. In 1989, the minimum educational standard shall be the 7th grade equivalent in reading on the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE); and

3. In 1990 and thereafter, the minimum educational standard shall be the 8th grade equivalent in reading on the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE);

(ii) The regulations shall only apply to any inmate who:

1. Is received by the Division of Correction after July 1, 1987;

2. Has 18 months or more remaining to be served before a mandatory SUPERVISION ~~-{release-}~~ PAROLE date;

3. Is not exempted due to a medical, developmental, or learning disability;

4. Does not possess a verified General Education Diploma (G.E.D.) or a high school diploma; and

5. Does not attain a minimum educational standard in reading on the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE).

(iii) Any inmate who is not exempted under subparagraph (ii)3. of this subsection shall participate in the mandatory education program for at least 90 calendar days.

(iv) The Division of Correction shall report to the Parole Commission the academic progress of an inmate in the mandatory education program.

(c) On or before June 30 of each year, the Council shall report its activities to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1312 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1989.

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