

2019 REFORMS TO SOLITARY CONFINEMENT IN GA

- + This is a bill to reform the use of solitary confinement and other forms of restrictive housing.
- + This bill requires the Bureau of Prisons to do the following
 - "Establish a transitional process for inmates in solitary confinement."
 - "Provide comprehensive mental health evaluations for inmates in solitary confinement."
 - "Train employees on mental illness and the psychological effects of solitary confinement."
 - "Report annually on the use of solitary confinement."

× Durbin, R. (2019, March 07). All Info - S.719 - 116th Congress (2019-2020): Solitary Confinement Reform Act. Retrieved October 26, 2020, from <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th->

- ❖ Before this bill was passed prisoners had lack of human contact and sensory deprivation, which can lead to depression, permanent or semi-permanent changes to brain physiology, an existential crisis, and death. These prisoners would be held in a cell that was roughly 8' x 10' x 7' for 24 hours a day.



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- "Prison isolation must end- for the safety of our communities, to respect our responsibility to follow international human rights law, to take a stand against torture whenever it occurs, and for the sake of our common humanity."

- Solitary confinement facts. (2019, June 21). Retrieved October 26, 2020, from <https://www.afsc.org/resource/solitary-confinement-facts>