AN ACT
Amending Title 61 (Prisons and Parole) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in miscellaneous provisions relating to inmate confinement, providing for training and educational requirements.

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By Hon. ___________________________
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2 Consolidated Statutes, in miscellaneous provisions relating
3 to inmate confinement, providing for training and educational
4 requirements.
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6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
7 hereby enacts as follows:
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9 Section 1. Title 61 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
10 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:
11 § 5908. Training and educational requirements.
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13 (a) Correctional institution staff training.--The department
14 and the Department of Human Services shall jointly develop and
15 provide both correctional institutions and county correctional
16 institutions with a training program for staff who have contact
17 with incarcerated individuals who are pregnant. The training
18 program shall be related to the physical and mental health of
19 the incarcerated individual and fetuses, including:
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21 (1) the general care of a pregnant individual;
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23 (2) the impact of restraints on a pregnant individual
and fetus:

(3) the impact of being placed in restrictive housing on a pregnant individual;

(4) the impact of invasive searches on a pregnant individual; and

(5) any other pertinent information the department or the Department of Human Services finds appropriate or necessary.

(b) Educational programming for pregnant incarcerated individuals.--The department and the Department of Human Services shall jointly develop and provide both correctional institutions and county correctional institutions with educational programming for incarcerated individuals who are pregnant. The educational programming shall be related to:

(1) prenatal care;

(2) pregnancy-specific hygiene;

(3) parenting skills;

(4) the impact of alcohol and drugs on the fetus;

(5) general health of a child; and

(6) any other pertinent information the department or the Department of Human Services finds appropriate or necessary.

Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.