

### **Article 30 of the Italian Penitentiary Act – *Leaves***

1. In the case of imminent danger of death of a family member or cohabitant, convicted persons and internees may be granted leave to go and see the sick, with the precautions provided for by the regulations; such leave shall be granted by the Supervisory Judge. Accused persons shall be granted leave by the Judicial Authority competent to arrange the transfer to external healthcare facilities in accordance with article 11.
2. Equivalent leave may be granted exceptionally for particularly serious events.
3. A prisoner who fails to return to prison on the expiry of his leave without a justifiable reason, if such absence is longer three hours and up to twelve, shall undergo disciplinary sanction; where the absence is even longer, he shall be liable to punishment in accordance with article 385, paragraph 1, of the Criminal Code and the provision contained in the last paragraph of the same article shall be applicable.
4. An internee returning to prison more than three hours after the expiry of his leave without justifiable reason shall be punished by disciplinary measures.