
The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Whitney Kauffeld.

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Present law provides that diminution of a sentence is not allowed to an inmate in the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections if the offender has been sentenced as a habitual offender or when the trial court prohibits the earning to a person convicted of stalking. Present law further provides diminution of a sentence is not allowed to an inmate convicted of a second offense which is a crime of violence, or a sex offense.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that every offender in the custody of the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections who is convicted of a felony, except an offender convicted a second time of a crime of violence as defined in present law, for a specific amount of time, earns diminution of sentence. The "good time" is earned at a rate of 13 days for every seven days in actual custody, including time spent in custody prior to sentencing for the particular sentence imposed.

Proposed law retains present law but creates an exception when the offense for which the offender is serving is for the death of a peace officer or first responder. An offender for this offense earns good time at a rate of one day for every 30 days in actual custody, and time spent in custody prior to sentencing does not earn good time credit.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 15:571.3(B)(1)(a), (C)(intro para), (D), and (F); adds R.S. 15:571.3(G))