## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Expands the substance abuse probation program to include treatment and counseling for mental health disorders.

<u>Present law</u> provides for a substance abuse probation program in which the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections may enter into cooperative endeavors with the La. Dept. of Health to provide substance abuse treatment and counseling for eligible defendants.

<u>Proposed law</u> expands this program to include counseling and treatment for defendants with mental health conditions other than substance abuse addiction.

(Amends C.Cr.P. Arts. 903(B) and (C) and 903.2(A)(1) and (B)(1))