

ACT No. 37

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 196

BY REPRESENTATIVE SMITH

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:1111(I), relative to work release; to provide for the eligibility to participate in the Department of Public Safety and Corrections work release program; to extend the length of time certain offenders may participate in work release programs; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 15:1111(I) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§1111. Work release program

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I.(1) Any inmate who has been convicted of forcible rape (R.S. 14:42.1), aggravated arson (R.S. 14:51), armed robbery (R.S. 14:64), attempted murder (R.S. 14:27 and 29), or attempted armed robbery (R.S. 14:27 and 64), and persons sentenced as habitual offenders under R.S. 15:529.1 shall be eligible to participate in a work release program during the last six months of their terms his term. Any person sentenced as a habitual offender pursuant to R.S. 15:529.1 shall be eligible to participate in a work release program during the last year of his term if the offender has obtained a low-risk level designation determined by a validated risk assessment instrument approved by the secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section and unless the inmate is eligible at an earlier date, those inmates who have served a minimum of fifteen years in the custody of the department for those crimes enumerated in this

1 Section; shall be eligible to participate in a work release program during the last
2 twelve months of their ~~term~~ terms.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____