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HB 1022 Reengrossed

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Edmonds

Abstract: Allows a minimum mandatory sentence that is usually imposed without the benefit of probation, parole, or suspension of sentence to be suspended and the defendant placed on probation through the reentry court division, with some exceptions.

<u>Present law</u> provides that if a defendant successfully completes the Offender Rehabilitation and Workforce Development Program and all other requirements of the workforce development sentencing program, the defendant can petition the court to suspend the remainder of his sentence and be placed on probation under the intensive supervision of the reentry court.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and further provides that a minimum mandatory sentence that is generally imposed without the option of probation, parole, or suspension of sentence may be suspended if the defendant is placed on probation under the supervision of the reentry court unless the crime before the court involves a firearm or dangerous weapon during the commission of a crime of violence pursuant to R.S. 14:95(E) (illegal carrying of weapons).

(Amends R.S. 13:5401(B)(7)(c))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

- 1. Add a provision that restricts eligibility if the crime before the court involves a firearm or dangerous weapon during the commission of a crime of violence pursuant to R.S. 14:95(E) (illegal carrying of weapons).
- 2. Make technical amendments.