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HB 615 Engrossed	2017 Regular Session	Terry Landry
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Abstract: Provides relative to the release date for certain inmates who are granted parole and are required to complete certain programs prior to their release.

<u>Present law</u> (R.S. 15:574.4.1) provides that when the committee on parole grants parole, the release date shall be fixed by the committee on parole and cannot exceed a period of six months after the parole hearing or the most recent consideration of the inmate's case.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> but allows the committee on parole to extend this period to a maximum of nine months after the parole hearing or the most recent consideration of the inmate's case, if the committee on parole determines that to ensure public safety and the offender's opportunity for success, completion of one or more specific rehabilitative programs is required prior to the inmate's release.

(Amends R.S. 15:574.4.1(D))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

- The Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Administration of Criminal</u> Justice to the <u>original</u> bill:
- 1. Remove the <u>proposed law</u> provision that would have made inmates convicted of a crime of violence or sentenced as a habitual offender eligible for participation in the <u>present</u> <u>law</u> inmate rehabilitation and workforce development program.