
DIGEST

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HB No. 734

Abstract: Provides relative to the procedure by which an authorized reduction in sentence may be granted, and requires the committee on parole to evaluate applications for such relief.

Present law, relative to certain offenses, provided more lenient penalties for persons who committed, were convicted, or were sentenced for specified crimes on or after June 15, 2001.

Present law (R.S. 15:308) provides that the more lenient penalty provisions provided in Act 403 of the 2001 R.S. and Act 45 of the 2002 1st E.S. shall apply to those persons who committed, were convicted, or were sentenced prior to June 15, 2001.

Proposed law provides that persons who are eligible for consideration for such ameliorative relief pursuant to present law may apply to the committee on parole.

Proposed law amends present law duties of the committee on parole to include evaluation of these applications and requires the secretary of Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections to adopt and promulgate rules, regulations, and procedures to implement the provisions of proposed law.

(Adds R.S. 15:308(C) and 574.2(I))