

2015 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 272

BY REPRESENTATIVE BILLIOT

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

VETERANS: Amends eligibility requirements to participate in the Veterans Court program

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 13:5366(B)(9), relative to the Veterans Court program; to
3 expand eligibility for participation in the Veterans Court program; and to provide for
4 related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 13:5366(B)(9) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §5366. The Veterans Court program

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9 B. Participation in probation programs shall be subject to the following
10 provisions:

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12 (9) In order to be eligible for the Veterans Court program, the defendant
13 must satisfy each of the following criteria:

14 (a) The defendant cannot have any prior felony convictions for any offenses
15 defined as ~~crimes of violence in R.S. 14:2(B)~~ a homicide as defined in R.S. 14:29.

16 (b) The crime before the court cannot be ~~a crime of violence as any offense~~
17 defined as a homicide in R.S. 14:29 or any sex offense requiring registration under
18 R.S. 15:540 et seq. in R.S. 14:2(B).

19 (c) Other criminal proceedings alleging commission of ~~a crime of violence~~
20 as any offense defined in ~~R.S. 14:2(B)~~ cannot be pending against the defendant as
21 a homicide in R.S. 14:29 or any sex offense requiring registration under R.S. 15:540
22 et seq. cannot be pending against the defendant.

