

2016 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 24

BY SENATOR MARTINY

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE. Provides relative to parole eligibility. (8/1/16)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 15:574.4(B)(1) and to enact R.S. 15:574.4(A)(5), relative to

3 parole; to provide for parole consideration for certain persons; to provide for certain

4 ameliorative penalty provisions; to provide for certain terms and conditions; and to

5 provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 15:574.4(B)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.

8 15:574.4(A)(5) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §574.4. Parole; eligibility

10 A. \* \* \*

11 **(5) Notwithstanding Paragraph (A)(1) or Subsection (B) of this Section**

12 **or any other provision of law to the contrary, a person committed to the**

13 **Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall be eligible for parole**

14 **consideration upon serving fifteen years in actual custody, if all of the following**

15 **are applicable:**

16 **(a) The person was not otherwise eligible for parole consideration at an**

17 **earlier date.**



custody if all of the following are applicable:

- (1) The person was not otherwise eligible for parole consideration at an earlier date.
- (2) The person was sentenced for an offense committed between 6/29/95 and 6/15/01.
- (3) The person is eligible for relief under present law relative to certain ameliorative penalty provisions, which includes those persons serving a life sentence with or without additional terms of years.

Effective August 1, 2016.

(Amends R.S. 15:574.4(B)(1); adds R.S. 15:574.4(A)(5))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary C to the original bill

1. Add conditions relative to parole eligibility under proposed law.