

Regular Session, 2006

HOUSE BILL NO. 1142

BY REPRESENTATIVE GRAY

PARDON/PAROLE: Provides for parole eligibility for any person prosecuted as an adult and who was a juvenile at the time offense was committed

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 15:574.4(A)(4), relative to eligibility for parole; to provide for parole
3 eligibility for certain offenders prosecuted as adults and who were juveniles at the
4 time offense was committed; to provide for conditions; and to provide for related
5 matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 15:574.4(A)(4) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §574.4. Parole; eligibility; consideration and hearings; decisions of board; nature,
9 order, and conditions; rules of conduct; offenders convicted of crimes of
10 violence; infectious disease testing

11 A.

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13 (4) Notwithstanding Paragraph (1) of this Subsection or Subsection B of this
14 Section or any other provision of law to the contrary, any offender, unless eligible
15 for parole at an earlier date, who was under the age of seventeen years at the time the
16 offense was committed for which he was confined, and who was prosecuted as an
17 adult and sentenced to the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, shall be
18 eligible for parole after serving at least ten years in continuous, confined custody.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides for parole eligibility for juveniles prosecuted as adults who have served 10 years in continuous custody of DPS&C.

Present law (R.S. 15:574.4) provides for eligibility for parole based on the grade of offense and the length of service of the sentence imposed.

Present law (Ch.C. Art. 857) provides that an offender who commits an offense at the age of 14 years shall be released at the age of 31 years regardless of the nature of the offense committed.

Proposed law provides that an offender who was under 17 years of age at the time the offense was committed for which he was confined and who was prosecuted as an adult and sentenced to DPS&C shall be eligible for parole after serving at least 10 years in continuous, confined custody.

(Adds R.S. 15:574.4(A)(4))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to the original bill.

1. Changes the age of the offender at the time the offense was committed from 16 years of age to under the age of 17.