
SENATE BILL No. 352

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 11-13-3-2.

Synopsis: Parole. Provides that certain individuals who are serving a sentence for multiple felonies or multiple life sentences are eligible for parole after serving 30 years. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the criminal law and sentencing policy study committee.)

Effective: July 1, 2011.

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January 11, 2011, read first time and referred to Committee on Corrections, Criminal, and Civil Matters.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2010 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning corrections.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 11-13-3-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
 2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011]: Sec. 2. (a) Release on parole
 3 and discharge of an offender sentenced for an offense under IC 35-50
 4 shall be determined under IC 35-50-6.
 5 (b) Parole and discharge eligibility for offenders sentenced for
 6 offenses under laws other than IC 35-50 is as follows:
 7 (1) A person sentenced upon conviction of a felony to an
 8 indeterminate term of imprisonment is eligible for consideration
 9 for release on parole upon completion of ~~his~~ **the person's**
 10 minimum term of imprisonment, less the credit time ~~he~~ **the**
 11 **person** has earned with respect to that term.
 12 (2) A person sentenced upon conviction of a felony to a
 13 determinate term of imprisonment is eligible for consideration for
 14 release on parole upon completion of one-half (1/2) of ~~his~~ **the**
 15 **person's** determinate term of imprisonment or at the expiration of
 16 twenty (20) years, whichever comes first, less the credit time ~~he~~
 17 **the person** has earned with respect to that term.



1 (3) A person sentenced upon conviction of first degree murder or
 2 second degree murder to a term of life imprisonment is eligible
 3 for consideration for release on parole upon completion of twenty
 4 (20) years of time served on the sentence. A person sentenced
 5 upon conviction of a felony other than first degree murder or
 6 second degree murder to a term of life imprisonment is eligible
 7 for consideration for release on parole upon completion of fifteen
 8 (15) years of time served on the sentence. **Except for a person**
 9 **convicted of a crime under IC 35-42-4 or a person convicted**
 10 **of a similar offense committed before 1978,** a person sentenced
 11 upon conviction of more than one (1) felony to more than one (1)
 12 term of life imprisonment is ~~not~~ eligible for consideration for
 13 release on parole ~~under this section:~~ **upon completion of thirty**
 14 **(30) years of time served on the sentences, whether the**
 15 **sentences were ordered to be served consecutively or**
 16 **concurrently.** A person sentenced to a term of life imprisonment
 17 does not earn credit time with respect to that term.

18 (4) A person sentenced upon conviction of a misdemeanor is not
 19 eligible for parole and shall, instead, be discharged upon
 20 completion of ~~his~~ **the person's** term of imprisonment, less the
 21 credit time ~~he~~ **the person** has earned with respect to that term.

22 (c) A person whose parole is revoked may be reinstated on parole
 23 by the parole board any time after the revocation, regardless of whether
 24 the offender was sentenced under IC 35-50 or another law. The parole
 25 board may adopt, under IC 4-22-2, rules and regulations regarding
 26 eligibility for reinstatement.

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