HB 102 Reengrossed 2022 Regular Session Muscarello

Abstract: Provides relative to the time period for parole rehearings for certain prisoners.

Present law requires parole hearings to be conducted in a formal manner and in accordance with the rules formulated by the committee on parole and with provisions of present law. Further requires prisoners to appear before and be interviewed by the committee on parole before parole is considered.

Proposed law provides that the committee on parole shall not consider a parole rehearing of any prisoner who is serving a sentence for any of the following offenses until at least four years after the denial of parole:

1. Any crime of violence or sex offense, for which the prisoner is serving a life sentence and for which the prisoner is eligible for parole.

2. Any crime that is both a crime of violence and a sex offense, for which the prisoner is serving a fixed term of years and for which the prisoner is eligible for parole.

3. Manslaughter, for which the prisoner is eligible for parole.

Effective Aug. 1, 2024.

(Amends R.S. 15:574.4.1(A)(1))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

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(b) Any crime that is both a crime of violence and a sex offense, for which the prisoner is serving a fixed term of years and for which the prisoner is eligible for parole.

(c) Manslaughter, for which the prisoner is eligible for parole.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Provide that proposed law shall become effective Aug. 1, 2024.