

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 279

BY REPRESENTATIVES MARINO, BAGNERIS, BOUIE, CONNICK, DUPLESSIS, HALL, JIMMY HARRIS, JACKSON, JORDAN, LYONS, MARCELLE, NORTON, AND SMITH

COURTS: Provides relative to eligibility for reentry court for persons convicted of certain offenses

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 13:5401(B)(1) and to enact R.S. 13:5401(B)(3)(d) and Code of  
3 Criminal Procedure Article 890.3(A)(3), relative to reentry courts; to provide relative  
4 to eligibility requirements for workforce development sentencing programs; and to  
5 provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 13:5401(B)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.  
8 13:5401(B)(3)(d) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §5401. District courts; reentry courts; subject matter

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11 B. Participation in the workforce development sentencing program as  
12 authorized by the provisions of this Section shall be subject to the following  
13 provisions:

14 (1) The court may recommend that a defendant participate in the workforce  
15 development sentencing program if all of the following criteria are satisfied:

16 ~~(a) The defendant meets the eligibility requirements for participation in the~~  
17 ~~Offender Rehabilitation and Workforce Development Program as provided for in~~  
18 ~~R.S. 15:1199.7(A) and (C).~~

19 (b)(a) The defendant meets the suitability requirements as defined by best  
20 practices developed for the Offender Rehabilitation and Workforce Development  
21 Program as adopted by the Louisiana Supreme Court.





for the defendant to become eligible to participate in the Offender Rehabilitation and Workforce Development Program.

(Amends R.S. 13:5401(B)(1); Adds R.S. 13:5401(B)(3)(d) and C.Cr.P. Art. 890.3(A)(3))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Judiciary to the original bill:

1. Remove the offense of domestic abuse battery as a permissible exception.