

ACT No. 726

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 102

BY REPRESENTATIVE MUSCARELLO

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 15:574.4.1(A)(1), relative to parole consideration and hearings;
3 to provide relative to the time period for parole rehearings for certain prisoners; and
4 to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 15:574.4.1(A)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as
7 follows:

8 §574.4.1. Parole consideration and hearings

9 A.(1)(a) The parole hearings shall be conducted in a formal manner in
10 accordance with the rules formulated by the committee and with the provisions of
11 this Part. Before the parole of any prisoner is ordered, such prisoner shall appear
12 before and be interviewed by the committee, except those incarcerated in parish
13 prisons or parish correctional centers, in which case one committee member may
14 conduct the interview. The committee may order a reconsideration of the case or a
15 rehearing at any time.

16 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, beginning
17 on August 1, 2024, the committee shall not consider a parole rehearing of any
18 prisoner who is serving a sentence for any of the following offenses until at least four
19 years after the denial of parole:

20 (i) Any crime of violence as defined in R.S. 14:2(B) or sex offense as
21 defined in R.S. 15:541, for which the prisoner is serving a life sentence and for

1 which the prisoner is eligible for parole pursuant to any of the provisions of R.S. 15:574.4.

2 (ii) Any crime that is both a crime of violence as defined in R.S. 14:2(B) and
3 a sex offense as defined in R.S. 15:541, for which the prisoner is serving a fixed term
4 of years and for which the prisoner is eligible for parole pursuant to any of the
5 provisions of R.S. 15:574.4.

6 (iii) Manslaughter (R.S. 14:31), for which the prisoner is eligible for parole
7 pursuant to any of the provisions of R.S. 15:574.4.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____