
HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2020 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to
Original House Bill No. 775 by Representative Marino

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 3, after "556.1(F), delete the remainder of the line and insert "562(A), (B),
3 and (D), and 835 and to repeal Code of Criminal Procedure"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 2

5 On page 1, line 6, after "plea," delete the remainder of the line and insert "at a revocation or
6 contempt hearing, and at sentencing; to"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 3

8 On page 1, delete line 12 in its entirety and insert "562(A), (B), and (D), and 835 are hereby
9 amended and reenacted to read as follows:"

10 AMENDMENT NO. 4

11 On page 2, delete lines 18 and 19 in their entirety and insert "simultaneous audio-visual
12 transmission ~~in accordance with the provisions of Articles 551 and 562."~~

13 AMENDMENT NO. 5

14 On page 3, delete line 3 in its entirety and insert "~~that does not involve the taking of~~
15 ~~testimony,~~ at the entry of his plea of guilty, ~~and"~~

16 AMENDMENT NO. 6

17 On page 3, line 5, after "contempt of court," and before "by simultaneous" insert "and at
18 sentencing"

19 AMENDMENT NO. 7

20 On page 4, between lines 15 and 16, insert the following:

21 "Art. 835. Presence of defendant at pronouncement of sentence

22 A. ~~In~~ Except as provided in Paragraph B, in felony cases the
23 defendant shall always be present when sentence is pronounced. ~~In and, in~~
24 misdemeanor cases, the defendant shall be present when sentence is
25 pronounced; unless excused by the court. If a sentence is improperly
26 pronounced in the defendant's absence, he shall be resentenced when his
27 presence is secured.

28 B. Nothing in this Article prohibits the court, by local rule, from
29 providing for a defendant's appearance at the pronouncement of sentence by
30 simultaneous audio-visual transmission in accordance with the provisions of
31 Article 562."