

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 21 (SB 10)

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Existing law (R.S. 15:571.3(B)) provides that an offender in the custody of the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections who is convicted of a felony, except an offender convicted a second time of a crime of violence, or an offender convicted a fourth or subsequent time of a nonviolent felony offense, and sentenced to imprisonment for a specific amount of time, earns diminution of sentence ("good time") at a rate of 13 days for every seven days in actual custody, including time spent in custody prior to sentencing for the particular sentence imposed.

New law expands the exception in existing law to an offender who has been convicted a second or subsequent time of a crime of violence.

New law (R.S. 15:571.3(F)) creates an exception when the offense is for the death of a peace officer or first responder, for which the offender will earn good time at a rate of one day for every 30 days in actual custody, and time spent in custody prior to sentencing does not earn good time credit.

Effective March 8, 2024.

(Amends R.S. 15:571.3(B)(1)(a), (C)(intro para), (D), and (F); adds R.S. 15:571.3(G))