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HB No. 683

Abstract: Provides for eligibility criteria related to district courts' drug division probation programs and their annual reporting requirements.

Present law authorizes each district court to create a drug division probation program and further provides for participation, eligibility, notification, and reporting requirements.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law prohibits a defendant who has prior felony convictions for any offenses defined as crimes of violence pursuant to present law (R.S. 14:2(B)) from participating in the drug division probation program.

Proposed law repeals present law.

Present law requires each drug division to develop a method of evaluation to be compiled annually and transmitted to the judicial administrator of the Louisiana Supreme Court.

Proposed law retains present law and further requires that the evaluations shall include information on recidivism reduction and outcome data on the participants in the program.

(Amends R.S. 13:5304(B)(10) and (K))