

Existing law provides that a person committed to the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections for a term or terms of imprisonment with or without benefit of parole for 30 years or more shall be eligible for parole consideration upon serving at least 20 years of the term or terms of imprisonment in actual custody and upon reaching the age of 45.

Existing law does not apply to those persons serving life sentences unless the sentence has been commuted to a fixed term of years and for persons convicted of armed robbery.

New law retains existing law and exempts from existing law those persons convicted of a crime of violence or a sex offense.

Provides that new law shall have prospective application only and shall apply only to offenders convicted on and after the effective date of new law.

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(Amends R.S. 15:574.4(A)(2))