
DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides relative to the eligibility requirements for the Veterans Court program.

Present law excludes a defendant from participating in the Veterans Court program if the defendant's crime being considered before the court is a crime of violence as defined in present law or if the defendant has a prior felony offense or other pending criminal proceedings alleging commission of a crime of violence.

Proposed law expands participation in the Veterans Court program by excluding only those defendants whose crime before the court is a homicide or crime of violence unless the entire sentence may be deferred or suspended.

(Amends R.S. 13:5366(B)(9)(a) and (b) and (10); Repeals R.S. 13:5366(B)(11))