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SB1397

Introduced 2/9/2017, by Sen. John G. Mulroe

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

730 ILCS 167/20 730 ILCS 168/20

Amends the Veterans and Servicemembers Court Treatment Act and the Mental Health Court Treatment Act. Removes provisions that a person may be admitted into a Veterans and Servicemembers Court program or a mental health court program only upon the agreement of the prosecutor. Effective immediately.

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AN ACT concerning criminal law.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Veterans and Servicemembers Court Treatment
Act is amended by changing Section 20 as follows:

6 (730 ILCS 167/20)

Sec. 20. Eligibility. Veterans and Servicemembers are eligible for Veterans and Servicemembers Courts, provided the following:

10 (a) A defendant, who is eligible for probation based on the 11 nature of the crime convicted of and in consideration of his or 12 her criminal background, if any, may be admitted into a 13 Veterans and Servicemembers Court program only upon the 14 agreement of the prosecutor and the defendant and with the 15 approval of the Court.

16 (b) A defendant shall be excluded from Veterans and 17 Servicemembers Court program if any of one of the following 18 applies:

19 (1) The crime is a crime of violence as set forth in20 clause (3) of this subsection (b).

(2) The defendant does not demonstrate a willingness to
 participate in a treatment program.

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(3) The defendant has been convicted of a crime of

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violence within the past 10 years excluding incarceration 1 2 time. As used in this Section, "crime of violence" means: 3 first degree murder, second degree murder, predatory criminal sexual assault of a child, aggravated criminal 4 5 sexual assault, criminal sexual assault, armed robbery, 6 aggravated arson, arson, aggravated kidnapping and 7 kidnapping, aggravated battery resulting in great bodily 8 permanent disability, stalking, aggravated harm or 9 stalking, or any offense involving the discharge of a 10 firearm or where occurred serious bodily injury or death to 11 any person.

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(4) (Blank).

13 (5) The crime for which the defendant has been14 convicted is non-probationable.

(6) The sentence imposed on the defendant, whether the
result of a plea or a finding of guilt, renders the
defendant ineligible for probation.

18 (Source: P.A. 98-152, eff. 1-1-14; 99-480, eff. 9-9-15.)

Section 10. The Mental Health Court Treatment Act is amended by changing Section 20 as follows:

21 (730 ILCS 168/20)

22 Sec. 20. Eligibility.

(a) A defendant, who is eligible for probation based on the
 nature of the crime convicted of and in consideration of his or

her criminal background, if any, may be admitted into a mental 1 2 health court program only upon the agreement of the prosecutor 3 and the defendant and with the approval of the court.

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(b) A defendant shall be excluded from a mental health court program if any one of the following applies:

(1) The crime is a crime of violence as set forth in 6 7 clause (3) of this subsection (b).

8 (2) The defendant does not demonstrate a willingness to 9 participate in a treatment program.

10 (3) The defendant has been convicted of a crime of 11 violence within the past 10 years excluding incarceration 12 time, specifically first degree murder, second degree murder, predatory criminal sexual assault of a child, 13 14 aggravated criminal sexual assault, criminal sexual robbery, aggravated 15 assault, armed arson, arson, 16 aggravated kidnapping, kidnapping, stalking, aggravated 17 stalking, or any offense involving the discharge of a firearm. 18

19 (4) (Blank).

20 The crime for which the defendant has been (5) 21 convicted is non-probationable.

22 (6) The sentence imposed on the defendant, whether the 23 result of a plea or a finding of quilt, renders the 24 defendant ineligible for probation.

25 (c) A defendant charged with prostitution under Section 11-14 of the Criminal Code of 2012 may be admitted into a 26

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1 mental health court program, if available in the jurisdiction 2 and provided that the requirements in subsections (a) and (b) 3 are satisfied. Mental health court programs may include specialized service programs specifically designed to address 4 5 the trauma associated with prostitution and human trafficking, 6 and may offer those specialized services to defendants admitted 7 the mental health court program. Judicial circuits to 8 establishing these specialized programs shall partner with 9 prostitution and human trafficking advocates, survivors, and 10 service providers in the development of the programs.

11 (Source: P.A. 97-946, eff. 8-13-12; 98-152, eff. 1-1-14;
12 98-538, eff. 8-23-13; 98-621, eff. 1-7-14.)

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.