## **HOUSE BILL No. 2766**

By Representative McCreary

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AN ACT concerning crimes, punishment and criminal procedure; relating to the nonprison sanction of a certified drug abuse treatment program.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. (a) Persons who were convicted of a felony violation of K.S.A. 65-4160 or 65-4162, on or after July 1, 1994 but prior to July 1, 2003, may have their sentences modified according to the provisions of this section. Persons who meet the requirements of K.S.A. 21-4729, and amendments thereto, may have such person's sentence modified and be subject to the mandatory drug abuse treatment programs.

- (b) The department of corrections shall conduct a review and prepare a report on each person who committed such crimes during such dates. A copy of the report shall be transmitted to the inmate, the county or district attorney for the county from which the inmate was sentenced, and the sentencing court.
- (1) The department of corrections shall complete and submit to the appropriate parties the report on all imprisoned inmates who were convicted of a felony violation of K.S.A. 65-4160 or 65-4162, on or after July 1, 1994 but prior to July 1, 2003, and who have greater than 180 days to serve on such inmates' sentences prior to such inmates' initial release date. The department of corrections shall review inmates based on such inmate's custody or security classification in the following order: minimum, within 60 days of the effective date of this act; medium, within 90 days of the effective date of this act; and maximum, within 120 days of the effective date of this act.
- (2) The department of corrections shall complete and submit to the appropriate parties the report on all inmates who were convicted of a felony violation of K.S.A. 65-4160 or 65-4162, on or after July 1, 1994 but prior to July 1, 2003, and who are condition probation violators within 90 days of the effective date of this act.
- (3) The department of corrections shall complete and submit to the appropriate parties the report on all inmates who were convicted of a felony violation of K.S.A. 65-4160 or 65-4162, on or after July 1, 1994 but prior to July 1, 2003, and who are condition parole violators or postrelease

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 supervision violators within 120 days of the effective date of this act.

- (c) The reports on those inmates who would be eligible for a modification of sentence as determined by the department of corrections shall be deemed to be correct unless objection thereto is filed by either the person or the prosecution officer within the 60-day period provided to request a hearing. If an objection is filed, the sentencing court shall determine if the person is eligible for a modification of sentence. The burden of proof shall be on the prosecution officer to prove that the person is not eligible for such modification of sentence.
- (d) (1) Within 60 days of the issuance of such report, the inmate shall have the right to request a hearing by filing a motion with the sentencing court, regarding the modification of the sentence under this section to be held in the jurisdiction where the original criminal case was filed. The secretary of corrections shall be provided written notice of any request for a hearing. If a request for a hearing is not filed within 60 days of the issuance of the report, the person is not eligible for such modification of sentence.
- (2) In the event a hearing is requested and held, the court shall determine whether the safety of the members of the public will be jeopardized by such modification of sentence.
- (3) In the event a hearing is requested, the court shall schedule and hold the hearing within 60 days after it was requested and shall rule on the issues raised by the parties within 30 days after the hearing.
- (4) Such offender shall be represented by appointed counsel pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 22-4501 *et seq.*, and amendments thereto.
- (5) Nothing contained in this section shall be construed as requiring the appearance in person of the offender or creating such a right of appearance in person of the offender at the hearing provided in this section regarding the modification of a sentence under this section.
- (6) If the court determines that the safety of the members of the public will not be jeopardized by such modification of sentence, the court shall enter an order regarding the person's modification of sentence and forward that order to the secretary of corrections who shall administer the modification of sentence.
- (7) If the court determines that the safety of the members of the public will be jeopardized by such modification of sentence, the court shall enter an order denying the person's modification of sentence and the person shall remain in the custody of the department of corrections.
- (e) All sentence modifications that result in an offender being released from a state correctional facility shall be placed under the supervision of community corrections.
- Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Kansas register.