

Subject Requiring mandatory sentences for certain repeat and violent offenders

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Overview

This bill establishes mandatory prison sentences, aggravated durational departures, and consecutive sentences for certain repeat offenders.

Summary

Section	Description
1	Increased sentences for dangerous offender who commits third violent crime. Requires a judge to impose an aggravated durational departure from the Sentencing Guidelines when a person is convicted of a violent crime that is a felony, the guideline sentence calls for imprisonment, and the person has two or more prior felony convictions for violent crimes. Currently, judges may impose such a sentence.
2	Mandatory sentence for dangerous offender who commits third violent felony. Requires a judge to impose an executed sentence of imprisonment when an offender is convicted of a violent crime that is a felony, the person has two prior convictions for violent crimes, and the provisions that would require an aggravated durational departure do not apply.
3	Increased sentence for offender who commits sixth felony. Requires a judge to impose an aggravated durational departure from the Sentencing Guidelines when a person is convicted of a felony, the guideline sentence calls for imprisonment, and the person has five or more prior felony convictions.
4	Consecutive sentences; release. Requires that sentences imposed on a person who qualifies as a repeat offender under the statute be served consecutively to any other sentence unless a concurrent sentence would result in a longer period of imprisonment. Requires a person sentenced as a repeat offender to serve the entire announced sentence before being eligible for release. Currently, the restriction applies only to a person convicted of a third violent felony.



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