State of South Dakota

NINETY-FOURTH SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2019

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SENATE BILL NO. 19

Introduced by: The Committee on Judiciary at the request of the Office of the Attorney General

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to repeal presumptive probation.
- 2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 3 Section 1. That § 22-6-11 be repealed.
- 4 22-6-11. The sentencing court shall sentence an offender convicted of a Class 5 or Class 6
- 5 felony, except those convicted under §§ 22-11A-2.1, 22-14-15, 22-18-1, 22-18-1.05, 22-18-26,
- 6 22-18-29, 22-19A-1, 22-19A-2, 22-19A-3, 22-19A-7, 22-19A-16, 22-22A-2, 22-22A-4, 22-
- 7 24A-3, 22-22-24.3, subdivision 22-23-2(2), 22-24-1.2, 22-24B-2, 22-24B-12, 22-24B-12.1, 22-
- 8 24B-23, 22-30A-46, 22-42-7, subdivision 24-2-14(1), 32-34-5, and any person ineligible for
- 9 probation under § 23A-27-12, to a term of probation. If the offender is under the supervision of
- 10 the Department of Corrections, the court shall order a fully suspended penitentiary sentence
- 11 pursuant to § 23A-27-18.4. The sentencing court may impose a sentence other than probation
- or a fully suspended penitentiary sentence if the court finds aggravating circumstances exist that
- 13 pose a significant risk to the public and require a departure from presumptive probation under
- 14 this section. If a departure is made, the judge shall state on the record at the time of sentencing
- 15 the aggravating circumstances and the same shall be stated in the dispositional order. Neither

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this section nor its application may be the basis for establishing a constitutionally protected

- 2 liberty, property, or due process interest.
- 3 Section 2. That § 23A-27-53 be amended to read:
- 4 23A-27-53. After receiving a plea of guilty for a violation of § 22-42-5 or 22-42-5.1, a court 5 that has jurisdiction of the defendant may, without entering a judgment of guilt, and with the 6 consent of the defendant, defer the imposition of sentence and place the defendant on probation 7 or fully suspend a penitentiary sentence and place the defendant on parole for a period, terms, 8 and conditions as the court deems best. The conditions shall include that the defendant complete 9 a drug and alcohol evaluation and complete any recommended course of treatment. If after one 10 year, the defendant has successfully completed the course of treatment and complied with all 11 conditions of probation or parole, the court shall dismiss the charge under § 22-42-5 or 22-42-12 5.1 upon the defendant pleading guilty to ingestion under § 22-42-15 or possession under § 22-13 42-15.1. If the defendant violates any conditions of probation or parole, the court or the Board 14 of Pardons and Paroles shall revoke the deferred imposition of sentence and impose and execute 15 the sentence. No person who has previously been granted a deferred imposition of sentence is 16 eligible to be granted a second deferred imposition of sentence. A defendant is ineligible for the 17 deferred imposition of sentence under this section if aggravating circumstances exist as defined 18 by § 22-6-11 that pose a significant risk to the public.
- 19 Section 3. That § 16-22-29 be amended to read:

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a sentence or sentences exclusively subject to presumptive probation pursuant to § 22-6-11 for a Class 6 or Class 5 felony violation of chapter 22-42, regardless of date of offense, shall be discharged from probation or parole supervision upon completion of all treatment programs required as a condition of the person's probation or parole provided if the parolee or probationer

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1 has been on supervision for a minimum of twelve full continuous calendar months and in the

- twelve full continuous calendar months the parolee or probationer:
- 3 (1) Has not been under or received a sanction for violation of conditions of supervision;
- 4 (2) Has not absconded from supervision;
- 5 (3) Has not been placed in jail or prison;
- 6 (4) Has not had a probation or parole violation report submitted and does not have a
- 7 pending probation or parole violation report or pending criminal offense; and
- 8 (5) Has complied with all conditions of the person's supervision including completion
- 9 of any treatment program required as a condition of probation or parole.
- A parolee or probationer serving an eligible South Dakota sentence in another state under
- 11 the Interstate Compact for Adult Offender Supervision who meets the criteria in this section is
- entitled to discharge in the same manner as a parolee or probationer supervised in South Dakota.
- Each drug court participant who meets the criteria in this section is entitled to discharge in the
- same manner as a parolee or probationer if the participant has successfully completed the drug
- 15 court program.

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- Within thirty days following a probationer or parolee meeting the criteria for discharge under
- 17 this section, the supervising court services officer or parole agent shall submit a notice of
- 18 compliant discharge.
- The notice of compliant discharge for a parolee shall be submitted to the secretary of the
- 20 Department of Corrections. If the secretary finds the parolee met the criteria for compliant
- 21 discharge, the secretary shall within fifteen days of receipt of the notice from the parole agent
- issue a certificate of discharge pursuant to § 24-15A-7.
- The notice of compliant discharge for a probationer shall be submitted to the sentencing
- court. If the court finds that the probationer has met the criteria for compliant discharge, the

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- 1 court shall enter an order discharging the probationer from probation.
- 2 A parolee or probationer who meets the criteria for a compliant discharge but, prior to the
- 3 issuance of the certificate of discharge, receives a formal sanction, absconds, is placed in jail
- 4 or prison, violates supervision conditions resulting in the submission of a parole or probation
- 5 violation report, or who fails to comply with supervision conditions shall be removed from the
- 6 compliant discharge process. The offender shall be retained on supervision or in custody.