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SENATE BILL 16-102

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

Kerr, Aguilar, Guzman, Heath, Lundberg, Marble, Merrifield

HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

(None),

Senate Committees
Judiciary

House Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE ELIMINATION OF MANDATORY SENTENCES TO
102 INCARCERATION FOR CERTAIN CRIMES.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)

Under current law, a person convicted of certain types of second degree assault and convicted of violating bail bond conditions must be sentenced to a mandatory term of incarceration. This bill removes the mandatory term of incarceration requirement in those circumstances.

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 18-3-203, **amend** (2)
3 (c) as follows:

4 **18-3-203. Assault in the second degree.** (2) (c) (I) If a defendant
5 is convicted of assault in the second degree pursuant to ~~paragraph (b),~~
6 ~~(c.5), (d), or (g)~~ PARAGRAPH (c.5) of subsection (1) of this section or
7 paragraph (b.5) of this subsection (2), except with respect to sexual
8 assault or sexual assault in the first degree as it existed prior to July 1,
9 2000, the court shall sentence the defendant in accordance with the
10 provisions of section 18-1.3-406. A defendant convicted of assault in the
11 second degree pursuant to paragraph (b.5) of this subsection (2) with
12 respect to sexual assault or sexual assault in the first degree as it existed
13 prior to July 1, 2000, shall be sentenced in accordance with section
14 18-1.3-401 (8) (e) or (8) (e.5).

15 (II) If a defendant is convicted of assault in the second degree
16 pursuant to ~~paragraph (c)~~ PARAGRAPH (b), (c), (d), OR (g), of subsection
17 (1) of this section, the court shall sentence the offender in accordance
18 with section 18-1.3-406; except that, notwithstanding the provisions of
19 section 18-1.3-406, the court is not required to sentence the defendant to
20 the department of corrections for a mandatory term of incarceration.

21 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 18-8-212, **repeal** (3)
22 as follows:

23 **18-8-212. Violation of bail bond conditions.** (3) ~~A person who~~
24 ~~fails to appear for a court proceeding with the intent to avoid prosecution~~
25 ~~or sentence or a person who is convicted of committing a misdemeanor~~
26 ~~or felony criminal offense committed while on bond shall not be eligible~~
27 ~~for probation or a suspended sentence and shall be sentenced to~~

1 imprisonment of not less than one year for violation of subsection (1) of
2 this section and not less than six months for violation of subsection (2) of
3 this section. Any such sentence shall be served consecutively with any
4 sentence for the offense on which the person is on bail.

5 **SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
6 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
7 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.