



House Republican Staff Analysis

Bill: HF 607
Committee: Judiciary
Date: 3/28/2011
Member: Rep. Garrett
Staff: Amanda Freel (1-5230)

Summary

This bill establishes a parole procedure for juveniles convicted of a non-homicide class “A” felony.

Summary of Action

- Subcommittee 2/10/2011
 - Committee 3/2/2011 (14-7)
 - Passed House 3/28/11 (81-17)
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Section-by-Section Analysis

Section I Class “A” Felony

1. Class “A” felony- A person convicted of a class “A” felony is sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole. (Possible Class “A” felonies include: murder, manslaughter, rape, kidnapping, arson)
2. A person convicted of a class “A” felony who was under the age of 18 at the time of the offences shall be eligible for parole after serving a term between 30-45 years. At sentencing the court shall determine the time. (The juvenile may still be sentenced to life in prison, but the possibility of parole must exist).
 - a. If the juvenile is paroled standard procedures apply.
 - b. A person who commits murder in the first degree shall not be eligible for parole under this law.
 - c. A person convicted of murder in the second degree who is also convicted of either kidnapping or sexual abuse in the first degree shall not be eligible for parole.