

CHAPTER 221

CHILDREN AND DOMESTIC MATTERS

SENATE BILL 03-284

BY SENATOR(S) Teck, Owen, and Reeves;
also REPRESENTATIVE(S) Young, Plant, Witwer, Carroll, Frangas, Marshall, Paccione, and Salazar.

AN ACT

CONCERNING THE REDUCTION OF THE PERIOD OF MANDATORY JUVENILE PAROLE, AND MAKING AN
APPROPRIATION IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

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

SECTION 1. The introductory portion to 19-2-909 (1) (b), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

19-2-909. Sentencing - commitment to the department of human services.

(1) (b) Any commitment to the department of human services pursuant to section 19-2-601 or paragraph (a) of this subsection (1) shall include, in addition to the period of commitment, a mandatory period of parole of ~~nine~~ SIX months; except that, for any juvenile committed to the department of human services due to an adjudication for an offense specified in subsection (3) of this section, the juvenile parole hearing panel, pursuant to section 19-2-1002, may extend the period of parole supervision for an additional period of up to:

SECTION 2. 19-2-921 (6), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

19-2-921. Commitment to department of human services. (6) Parole supervision of juveniles committed to the department of human services under section 19-2-601 or 19-2-907, as determined by the juvenile parole board, shall not exceed ~~nine~~ SIX months, except as otherwise provided by statute.

SECTION 3. The introductory portion to 19-2-1002 (5) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

19-2-1002. Juvenile parole. (5) (a) If the hearing panel or the board determines that parole should be granted, the hearing panel shall establish ~~nine~~ SIX months as the

Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.

length of the parole supervision. However, for a juvenile committed to the department of human services due to an adjudication for an offense specified in paragraph (b) of this subsection (5), the hearing panel may extend the period of parole supervision up to an additional:

SECTION 4. 19-2-1002 (9), Colorado Revised Statutes, as amended by House Bill 03-1079, enacted at the First Regular Session of the Sixty-fourth General Assembly, is amended to read:

19-2-1002. Juvenile parole. (9) **Parole discharge.** The board may discharge a juvenile from parole after the juvenile has served the mandatory parole period of ~~nine months~~ SIX MONTHS but prior to the expiration of his or her period of parole supervision when it appears to the board that there is a reasonable probability that the juvenile will remain at liberty without violating the law or when such juvenile is under the probation supervision of the district court, in the custody of the department of corrections, or otherwise not available to receive parole supervision.

SECTION 5. Appropriation - adjustments to the 2003 long bill. (1) For the implementation of this act, appropriations made in the annual general appropriation act, to the department of human services, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003, shall be adjusted as follows:

(a) The general fund appropriation to the office of operations, for vehicle lease payments, is decreased by six thousand nine hundred sixty-eight dollars (\$6,968).

(b) The general fund appropriation to the office of operations, for leased space, is decreased by twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000).

(c) The general fund appropriation to the division of youth corrections, community programs, for personal services, is decreased by one hundred seventy-two thousand seven hundred eighty-two dollars (\$172,782) and 3.2 FTE.

(d) The general fund appropriation to the division of youth corrections, community programs, for operating expenses, is decreased by ten thousand three hundred thirty-three dollars (\$10,333).

(e) The general fund appropriation to the division of youth corrections, community programs, parole program services, is decreased by one hundred eighty-two thousand four hundred ninety-one dollars (\$182,491).

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

Approved: May 1, 2003