

April 18, 2007

H 1624. FREQUENCY OF PAROLE REVIEWS. Filed 4/18/07. *TO LIMIT THE FREQUENCY OF PAROLE REVIEWS FOR INMATES CONVICTED OF MURDER.*

Amends GS 15A-1371(b), which is still applicable for sentences based on offenses occurring before January 1, 1995, directing the Parole Commission to consider parole and provide notice of its decision for prisoners for which parole has already been denied, on the following schedule, unless the commission finds more frequent consideration is necessary: (1) no more than once every five years for a prisoner convicted of first degree murder other than felony murder, (2) no more than once every four years for a prisoner convicted of felony murder, and (3) no more than once every three years for a prisoner convicted of second degree murder. Effective for parole reviews conducted on or after July 1, 2007.

Intro. by Barnhart, Almond, Glazier, Goodwin. GS 15A

July 15, 2008

H 1624. FREQUENCY OF PAROLE REVIEWS. Filed 4/18/07. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Previous edition amended GS 15A-1371(b)(3), repealed except as applied to sentences based on offenses occurring before January 1, 1995, to require the Parole Commission to consider parole, with exceptions for more frequent consideration for exigent circumstances or in the interests of justice as follows: (1) first degree murder, except felony murder, not more than once every five years; (2) felony murder not more than once every four years; and (3) second degree murder not more than once every three years. Instead, committee substitute enacts a new subdivision in GS 15A-1371(b), which authorizes the Commission to, *in its discretion*, consider parole for first and second degree murder once every third year, with more frequent consideration if it finds exigent circumstances or the interests of justice demand it. Makes a conforming change.

Changes effective date from July 1, 2007, to October 1, 2008, and applies to parole reviews conducted on or after that date.

July 17, 2008

H 1624. FREQUENCY OF PAROLE REVIEWS. Filed 4/18/07. Senate amendment makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Makes a technical correction to reflect that repealed GS 15A-1371(b) is still applicable to sentences based on offenses occurring before October 1, 1994 (was, January 1, 1995).

July 29, 2008

SL 2008-133 (H 1624). FREQUENCY OF PAROLE REVIEWS. AN ACT TO LIMIT THE FREQUENCY OF PAROLE REVIEWS FOR INMATES CONVICTED OF MURDER. Summarized in *Daily Bulletin* 4/18/07, 7/15/08, and 7/17/08. Enacted July 28, 2008. Effective October 1, 2008.