

SENATE BILL 2794

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 40,
Chapter 35, Part 5, relative to release on parole.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-35-503, is amended by deleting the language "defendant's" wherever it appears and substituting instead the language "incarcerated individual's"; and is further amended by deleting the language "defendant" wherever it appears and substituting instead the language "incarcerated individual".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-35-503(b), is amended by deleting subdivision (2) in its entirety.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-35-503(d)(1), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following:

Within one (1) year of an incarcerated individual's release eligibility date, an institutional parole officer shall meet with the incarcerated individual to create a release plan. The board of parole shall then conduct a hearing to determine the individual's fitness for parole upon their release eligibility date.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.