

SENATE BILL NO. 1

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Introduced: 1/19/99

Referred: Judiciary, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to good time and release on mandatory parole."

2 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

3 * **Section 1.** AS 33.16.010(a) is repealed and reenacted to read:

4 (a) A prisoner is eligible for mandatory parole if the prisoner

5 (1) is serving a term or terms of two years or more; and

6 (2) has attained a high school diploma, a general education
7 development diploma, or the equivalent or is incapable of obtaining a diploma or its
8 equivalent.

9 * **Sec. 2.** AS 33.16.010(c) is amended to read:

10 (c) A prisoner who is not eligible for discretionary parole, or who is not
11 released on discretionary parole, shall be released on mandatory parole for the term of
12 good time deductions credited under AS 33.20 [,] if the **prisoner is eligible under (a)**
13 **of this section** [TERM OR TERMS OF IMPRISONMENT ARE TWO YEARS OR
14 MORE].

15 * **Sec. 3.** AS 33.20.010(a) is amended to read:

1 (a) Notwithstanding AS 12.55.125(f)(3) and 12.55.125(g)(3), a prisoner
2 convicted of an offense against the state or a political subdivision of the state and
3 sentenced to a term of imprisonment that exceeds three days is entitled to a deduction
4 of one-third of the term of imprisonment rounded off to the nearest day if the prisoner
5 follows the rules of the correctional facility in which the prisoner is confined **and the**
6 **prisoner attains or has attained a high school diploma, a general education**
7 **development diploma, or an equivalent diploma or is incapable of attaining a**
8 **diploma or its equivalent.** A prisoner is not eligible for a good time deduction if the
9 prisoner has been sentenced to a

10 (1) mandatory 99-year term of imprisonment under AS 12.55.125(a)
11 after June 27, 1996; or

12 (2) definite term under AS 12.55.125(l).

13 * **Sec. 4.** The changes made to AS 33.16.010 and AS 33.20.010 by this Act apply to
14 persons convicted of crimes on or after the effective date of this Act.