

HOUSE BILL No. 4820

July 12, 2017, Introduced by Rep. Kosowski and referred to the Committee on Law and Justice.

A bill to amend 1927 PA 175, entitled
"The code of criminal procedure,"
(MCL 760.1 to 777.69) by adding section 2 to chapter IX.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

CHAPTER IX

SEC. 2. IN DETERMINING THE APPROPRIATE SENTENCE TO BE IMPOSED ON A PERSON WHO HAS BEEN CONVICTED OF A CRIME, THE COURT SHALL CONSIDER AS A MITIGATING CIRCUMSTANCE THE FACT THAT THE DEFENDANT SUFFERS FROM POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER, SUBSTANCE ABUSE, OR PSYCHIATRIC OR PSYCHOLOGICAL PROBLEMS RESULTING FROM SERVICE AS A MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES IN A COMBAT THEATER OF OPERATIONS DURING A TIME OF WAR OR EMERGENCY.

Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days after the date it is enacted into law.