

HOUSE BILL NO. 4470

April 25, 2023, Introduced by Reps. O'Neal, Hoskins, Hood, Wilson, Wegela, Brabec, Byrnes, Dievendorf, Rheingans, Edwards, Brenda Carter, Glanville, Tyrone Carter, Liberati, Andrews, Young, Neeley, MacDonell, Price, Hill, McKinney, Thompson, Brixie, Rogers, VanderWall and Aiyash and referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice.

A bill to amend 1893 PA 118, entitled

"An act to revise and consolidate the laws relative to state prisons, to state houses of correction, and branches of state prisons and reformatories, and the government and discipline thereof and to repeal all acts inconsistent therewith,"

by amending section 33 (MCL 800.33), as amended by 1999 PA 148; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1** Sec. 33. (1) A record of all major misconduct charges for
- 2** which a prisoner has been found guilty ~~shall~~**must** be maintained and
- 3** given to the parole board as part of the parole eligibility report

1 prepared for each prisoner pursuant to ~~under~~ section 35 of **the**
2 **corrections code of 1953**, 1953 PA 232, MCL 791.235.

3 (2) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a prisoner
4 who is serving a sentence for a crime committed before April 1,
5 1987, and who has not been found guilty of a major misconduct or
6 had a violation of the laws of this state recorded against him or
7 her shall **in a calendar month must** receive a reduction from his or
8 her sentence as follows: **good time credit for that month equal to**
9 **the number of days in that month.**

10 (a) During the first and second years of his or her sentence,
11 5 days for each month.

12 (b) During the third and fourth years, 6 days for each month.

13 (c) During the fifth and sixth years, 7 days for each month.

14 (d) During the seventh, eighth, and ninth years, 9 days for
15 each month.

16 (e) During the tenth, eleventh, twelfth, thirteenth, and
17 fourteenth years, 10 days for each month.

18 (f) During the fifteenth, sixteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth,
19 and nineteenth years, 12 days for each month.

20 (g) From and including the twentieth year, up to and including
21 the period fixed for the expiration of the sentence, 15 days for
22 each month.

23 (3) Except as provided in section 34, all prisoners serving a
24 sentence for a crime that was committed on or after April 1, 1987
25 are eligible to earn disciplinary and special disciplinary credits
26 as provided in subsection (5). Disciplinary credits shall be
27 earned, forfeited, and restored as provided in this section.
28 Accumulated disciplinary credits shall **subject to subsection (7)**,
29 **good time received under subsection (2) must** be deducted from a

1 prisoner's minimum and maximum sentence in order to determine his
2 or her ~~the prisoner's~~ parole eligibility date and discharge date.

3 (4) This section ~~shall~~must not be construed to allow good
4 time, ~~disciplinary credits, or special disciplinary credits~~ credit
5 in cases of commuted sentences unless so stipulated in the
6 executive order commuting the sentence.

7 ~~(5) Except as provided in section 34, all prisoners serving a~~
8 ~~sentence on December 30, 1982, or incarcerated after December 30,~~
9 ~~1982, for the conviction of a crime enumerated in section 33b(a) to~~
10 ~~(cc) of 1953 PA 232, MCL 791.233b, are eligible to earn a~~
11 ~~disciplinary credit of 5 days per month for each month served after~~
12 ~~December 30, 1982. Accumulated disciplinary credits shall be~~
13 ~~deducted from a prisoner's minimum and maximum sentence in order to~~
14 ~~determine his or her parole eligibility dates.~~

15 A prisoner shall not earn disciplinary credits under this
16 subsection during any month in which the prisoner is found guilty
17 of having committed a major misconduct. The amount of disciplinary
18 credits not earned as a result of being found guilty of a major
19 misconduct shall be limited to the disciplinary credits that would
20 have been earned for the month in which the major misconduct
21 occurred. Any disciplinary credits not earned as a result of the
22 prisoner being found guilty of a major misconduct shall never be
23 earned or restored. The warden may order that a prisoner found
24 guilty of a major misconduct, including but not limited to charges
25 of rioting, inciting to riot, escape, homicide, or assault and
26 battery, forfeit all or a portion of the disciplinary credits
27 accumulated prior to the month in which the misconduct occurred. An
28 order forfeiting accumulated disciplinary credits shall be based
29 upon a review of the prisoner's institutional record.

1 The disciplinary credit committee, which is comprised of the
2 prisoner's resident unit manager, custody officers in the resident
3 unit with direct supervisory responsibilities over the prisoner,
4 and the appropriate work or school assignment supervisor, shall be
5 a part of the reclassification process and shall review, at least
6 annually, the status of each prisoner in the housing unit who has
7 forfeited disciplinary credits. The committee may recommend to the
8 warden whether any forfeited disciplinary credits should be
9 restored to the prisoner.

10 In addition to disciplinary credits, a prisoner eligible for
11 disciplinary credits under this subsection may be awarded 2 days
12 per month special disciplinary credits for good institutional
13 conduct on the recommendation of the disciplinary credit committee
14 and the concurrence of the warden based on an annual review of the
15 prisoner's institutional record. Special disciplinary credits shall
16 not be awarded for any month in which a prisoner has been found
17 guilty of a major misconduct.

18 The department of corrections shall promulgate rules pursuant
19 to the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL
20 24.201 to 24.328, necessary to implement this subsection not more
21 than 180 days after December 30, 1982.

22 (5) (6) On and after April 1, 1987, a ~~A~~ prisoner shall **must**
23 not earn good time under this section during any month in which the
24 prisoner is found guilty of having committed a major misconduct.
25 The amount of good time not earned as a result of being found
26 guilty of a major misconduct ~~shall~~ **must** be limited to the amount of
27 good time that would have been earned during the month in which the
28 major misconduct occurred. Any good time not earned as a result of
29 the prisoner being found guilty of a major misconduct ~~shall~~ **must**

1 never be earned or restored. A prisoner must be granted good time
2 credit under subsection (2) unless the prisoner's record under
3 subsection (1) indicates the prisoner was found guilty of a major
4 misconduct in that month.

5 (7) The department of corrections shall promulgate rules
6 pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306,
7 MCL 24.201 to 24.328, prescribing how much of his or her
8 accumulated good time or accumulated disciplinary credits the
9 prisoner may forfeit if found guilty of 1 or more major
10 misconducts.

11 (8) The warden may order that a prisoner found guilty of a
12 major misconduct forfeit all or a portion of the good time
13 accumulated prior to the month in which the misconduct occurred.

14 (9) The good time committee, which is comprised of the
15 prisoner's resident unit manager, custody officer in the resident
16 unit with direct supervisory responsibility over the prisoner, and
17 the appropriate work or school assignment supervisor, shall be part
18 of the reclassification process. The good time committee shall
19 recommend to the warden the amount of special good time to be
20 awarded and the restoration of any accumulated good time that has
21 been forfeited.

22 (10) The warden, as a reward for good conduct, may restore to
23 a prisoner the whole or any portion of the good time or
24 disciplinary credits forfeited because of a finding of guilty for a
25 major misconduct. However, forfeited good time or disciplinary
26 credits shall not be restored without the recommendation of the
27 disciplinary credit committee or good time committee and the prior
28 written approval of the deputy director in charge of the bureau of
29 correctional facilities or the deputy director in charge of the

1 bureau of field services. Disciplinary credits or good time
2 allowances that have not been earned because of institutional
3 misconduct shall not be restored.

4 (6) (11) A prisoner who has been sentenced concurrently for
5 separate convictions shall ~~must~~ have his or her **the prisoner's** good
6 time ~~or disciplinary~~ credits computed on the basis of the longest
7 of the concurrent sentences. If a prisoner is serving consecutive
8 sentences for separate convictions, ~~his or her~~ **the prisoner's** good
9 time ~~or disciplinary~~ credits shall ~~must~~ be computed and accumulated
10 on each sentence individually. ~~and all good time or disciplinary~~
11 credits that have been earned on any of the sentences shall be
12 subject to forfeiture pursuant to subsections (5) and (8).

13 (12) The warden of an institution may grant special good time
14 allowances to eligible prisoners who are convicted of a crime that
15 is committed before April 1, 1987. Special good time credit shall
16 not exceed 50% of the good time allowances under the schedule in
17 subsection (2). Special good time shall be awarded for good conduct
18 only and shall not be awarded for any month in which a prisoner has
19 been found guilty of a major misconduct.

20 (13) The parole board shall be exclusively empowered to cause
21 the forfeiture of good time or disciplinary credits earned by a
22 prisoner at the time of a parole violation.

23 (14) A prisoner subject to disciplinary time is not eligible
24 for good time, special good time, disciplinary credits, or special
25 disciplinary credits.

26 (15) The court may order the reduction or forfeiture of 1 or
27 more of the following credits pursuant to section 5513 of the
28 revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.5513:

29 (a) Good time.

1 (b) Disciplinary.

2 (c) Special disciplinary.

3 (7) Subject to this subsection, the department of corrections
4 shall recalculate the parole eligibility date and discharge date
5 for each prisoner serving a sentence on the effective date of the
6 amendatory act that added this subsection who is eligible for good
7 time credits under subsection (2) as a result of the amendatory act
8 that added this subsection. The parole eligibility date for a
9 prisoner who earns good time credits under subsection (2) must not
10 be recalculated to a date that is before the prisoner has served
11 1/2 of the prisoner's minimum sentence.

12 Enacting section 1. Sections 34 and 35 of 1893 PA 118, MCL
13 800.34 and 800.35, are repealed.

14 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect
15 unless Senate Bill No.____ or House Bill No.4468 (request no.
16 00841'23 a) of the 102nd Legislature is enacted into law.