AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 758

Sponsor: REPRESENTATIVE PETRARCA

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- Amend Bill, page 1, line 17; page 2, lines 1 and 2; by 1
- 2 striking out all of said lines on said pages and inserting
- 3 Section 2. Section 9730 of Title 42 is amended to read:
- 4 Amend Bill, page 2, line 6, by inserting after "costs"
- 5 , restitution
- Amend Bill, page 2, line 12, by striking out "restitution, 6
- fines or" 7
- 8 Amend Bill, page 2, line 12, by inserting after "costs"
- 9 , restitution or fines
- Amend Bill, page 2, line 14, by striking out all of said line 10
- and inserting 11
- 12 (1) If a defendant defaults in the payment of [a fine,]
- court costs [or] restitution or fine after imposition of 13
- 14 sentence, the issuing authority or a senior judge or senior
- magisterial district judge appointed by the president judge 15
- 16 for the purposes of this section may conduct a hearing to
- determine whether the defendant is financially able to pay. 17
- Amend Bill, page 2, line 17, by inserting a bracket before 18
- 19 "fine"
- 20 Amend Bill, page 2, line 17, by inserting a bracket after
- "or" 21
- Amend Bill, page 2, line 17, by inserting after "costs" 22
- 23 , restitution or fine
- Amend Bill, page 2, line 22, by striking out all of said line 24
- 25 and inserting

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- (3) If the issuing authority, senior judge or senior magisterial district judge determines that the defendant is without the financial means to pay the [fine or] costs, restitution or fine immediately or in a single remittance, the issuing authority, senior judge or senior magisterial district judge may provide for payment in installments. In determining the appropriate installments, the issuing authority, senior judge or senior magisterial district judge shall consider the defendant's financial resources[, the defendant's ability to make restitution and reparations and the nature of the burden the payment will impose on the defendant] and ability to pay. If the defendant is in default of a payment or advises the issuing authority, senior judge or senior magisterial district judge that default is imminent, the issuing authority, senior judge or senior magisterial district judge may schedule a rehearing on the payment schedule. At the rehearing the defendant has the burden of proving changes of financial condition such that the defendant is without the means to meet the payment schedule. The issuing authority, senior judge or senior magisterial district judge may extend or accelerate the schedule, leave it unaltered or sentence the defendant to a period of community service as the issuing authority, senior judge or senior magisterial district judge finds to be just and practicable under the circumstances.
- (4) A decision of the issuing authority, senior judge or senior magisterial district judge under paragraph (2) or (3) is subject to section 5105 (relating to right to appellate review).