

Regular Session, 2010

SENATE BILL NO. 476

BY SENATOR N. GAUTREAUX

PUBLIC SFTY/CORRECT DEPT. Reduces the length of time the Department of Public Safety and Corrections is required to retain certain records. (8/15/10)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 44:36(D), relative to public records; to provide relative to public  
3 bodies; to reduce the time required for the Department of Public Safety and  
4 Corrections to retain records regarding adult offenders; and to provide for related  
5 matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 44:36(D) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §36. Preservation of records

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10 D. All existing records or records hereafter accumulated by the Department  
11 of Public Safety and Corrections, ~~Correction Services~~ **corrections services**,  
12 pertaining to any adult offender **shall be retained and** may not be destroyed until  
13 after ~~ten~~ **six** years from the date the full term sentence imposed upon such offender  
14 expires, **or six years from the date of death of the offender, whichever occurs**  
15 **first.**

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Heyward Jeffers.

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DIGEST

N. Gautreaux (SB 476)

Present law provides that all DPS&C records pertaining to any adult offender shall be retained and may not be destroyed until 10 years from the date the full-term sentence imposed upon such offender expires.

Proposed law changes present law to require the records be kept for six years from the date of the full term of the sentence imposed expires, or from the death of the offender, whichever occurs first.

Effective August 15, 2010.

(Amends R.S. 44:36(D))