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Bill No. 1160

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:

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AN ACT CONCERNING MANDATORY MINIMUM SENTENCES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) Notwithstanding any provision of the general
2 statutes, when sentencing a person convicted of an offense for which
3 there is a mandatory minimum sentence, which did not involve the
4 use, attempted use or threatened use of physical force against another
5 person or result in the physical injury or serious physical injury of
6 another person, and in the commission of which such person neither
7 was armed with nor threatened the use of or displayed or represented
8 by word or conduct that such person possessed any firearm, deadly
9 weapon or dangerous instrument, as those terms are defined in section
10 53a-3 of the general statutes, the court may, upon a showing of good
11 cause by the defendant, depart from the prescribed mandatory
12 minimum sentence, provided the court, at the time of sentencing,
13 states in open court the reasons for imposing the particular sentence
14 and the specific reason for imposing a sentence that departs from the
15 prescribed mandatory minimum sentence.

16 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001.

Statement of Purpose:

To implement the Governor's budget recommendations.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]