

Colorado Commission on Criminal & Juvenile Justice

FY2011 RECOMMENDATION/FY11-SO13 ESTABLISH A SEXUALLY VIOLENT PREDATOR EQUVALENCY AND ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR SEX OFFENDERS FROM OTHER STATES

Status: Implementation Complete

Actions/Updates

2012 ACTION/IMPLEMENTATION

Action on this recommendation was completed with the passage of House Bill 11-1278.

Description

Add language to 16-13-902, CRS, and relevant sections of Title 18 on Sexually Violent Predator equivalency criteria in a manner that ensures the assessment procedure is constitutional.

Agencies Responsible

Discussion

Currently missing from statute is the language to establish the process and who is responsible to evaluate sex offenders entering from other states who may meet the definition of sexually violent predator. This has led to inconsistencies across jurisdictions when processing offenders convicted of sex crimes in particular states. The procedure to classify out-of-state offenders moving to and registering in Colorado should involve an assessment process that is similar to that which is used for in-state offenders. Also, the statutory language should accommodate circumstances where there is a mismatch in the number of levels or categories applicable to the SVP designation between Colorado and other states.