

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1276

Introduced by Assembly Member Bloom

February 22, 2013

An act to add Section 3051 to the Penal Code, relating to parole.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1276, as introduced, Bloom. Parole: juvenile offenders.

Existing law generally regulates the granting and conditioning of parole, and places the duty to monitor parolees on the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Division of Adult Parole Operations. Existing law specifies the procedures that the Board of Parole Hearings must follow in granting, denying, or revoking parole.

This bill would require, except as otherwise provided by law, a person who was convicted of a nonhomicide offense that was committed before the person had attained 18 years of age to be given a meaningful opportunity for parole or other form of supervised release after having served 25 years in state prison.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 3051 is added to the Penal Code, to read:
2 3051. Except as otherwise provided by law, a person who was
3 convicted of a nonhomicide offense that was committed before
4 the person had attained 18 years of age shall be given, not less
5 than once, after having served 25 years in state prison, and
6 thereafter as specified in Section 3041.5, a meaningful opportunity

1 for parole or other form of supervised release. This section does
2 not prohibit the imposition of a life sentence for juveniles convicted
3 of homicide and does not prohibit or modify the parole procedures
4 for adult offenders. This section does not limit the access of
5 juvenile offenders to other programs and appeals that they were
6 eligible for prior to the enactment of this section.

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