General Assembly

Proposed Bill No. 507

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Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:
SEN. SOMERS, 18th Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING COMMITMENT OF INDIVIDUALS FOUND NOT GUILTY BY REASON OF MENTAL DEFECT OR DISEASE.

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

That the general statutes be amended to limit the commitment of individuals found not guilty by reason of mental defect or disease to the maximum amount of time the person could have served if he or she was found guilty of the crimes charged and to provide that such commitment may be extended beyond such time, provided the state bears the burden of proof that such a commitment is necessary.

Statement of Purpose:
To provide that the time of commitment be more closely tied to the time of incarceration associated with the crime.