

SENATE AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 265

By COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

April 27

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 5 through 11 and insert:

2 “**SECTION 1.** (1) The presiding judge of any circuit court may establish a mental health court
3 program. Under the program, individuals who are before the circuit court may obtain mental health
4 treatment and other program services and must report regularly to the court on the progress of
5 their treatment. The court may use all sanctions available under law to ensure the accountability
6 of an individual who participates in the program. To the extent possible, the court shall offer in-
7 centives for successful participation in the program, but the district attorney is not required to offer
8 diversion or other incentives to individuals who participate in the program.

9 “(2) If a mental health court program is established under this section, the presiding judge may
10 appoint a local mental health court team. The team shall include, but is not limited to, the court,
11 the district attorney for the county, one or more attorneys who represent individuals participating
12 in the program, one or more representatives from the county’s community corrections agency and
13 mental health treatment and service providers. The team shall monitor the individuals’ participation
14 in treatment and ensure accountability.”.

15 In line 12, delete “(2)(a)” and insert “(3)(a)”.

16 In line 17, delete “(3)” and insert “(4)”.

17 In line 21, delete “(4) to (7)” and insert “(5) to (8)”.

18 In line 22, delete “(4)” and insert “(5)” and delete “(3)” and insert “(4)”.

19 In line 26, delete “(5)” and insert “(6)” and delete “(3)” and insert “(4)”.

20 On page 2, line 3, delete “(6)” and insert “(7)” and delete “(5)(b)” and insert “(6)(b)”.

21 In line 10, delete “(7)” and insert “(8)”.

22 In line 11, delete “(3)” and insert “(4)”.

23
