1991 Senate Bill 370

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1991 WISCONSIN ACT 171

AN ACT to create 125.07 (4) (e) of the statutes, relating to: alcohol abuse treatment programs for underage drinkers.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 125.07 (4) (e) of the statutes is created to read:

125.07 (4) (e) 1. In this paragraph, "defendant" means a person found guilty of violating par. (a) or (b) who is 18, 19 or 20 years of age.

2. After ordering a penalty under par. (bs) or (c), the court, with the agreement of the defendant, may enter an additional order staying the execution of the penalty order and suspending or modifying the penalty imposed. The order under this subdivision shall require the defendant to do any of the following:

a. Submit to an alcohol abuse assessment that conforms to the criteria specified under s. 48.547 (4) and that is conducted by an approved treatment facility. The order shall designate an approved treatment facility to conduct the alcohol abuse assessment and shall specify the date by which the assessment must be completed.

b. Participate in an outpatient alcohol abuse treatment program at an approved treatment facility, if an alcohol abuse assessment conducted under subd. 2. a. recommends treatment.

c. Participate in a court–approved alcohol abuse education program.

3. If the approved treatment facility, with the written informed consent of the defendant, notifies the agency primarily responsible for providing services to the defendant that the defendant has submitted to an assessment under subd. 2. a. and that the defendant does not need treatment or education, the court shall notify the defendant of whether or not the penalty will be reinstated.

4. If the defendant completes the alcohol abuse treatment program or court–approved alcohol abuse education program, the approved treatment facility or court– approved alcohol abuse education program shall, with the written informed consent of the defendant, notify the agency primarily responsible for providing services to the defendant that the defendant has complied with the order and the court shall notify the defendant of whether or not the penalty will be reinstated. If the court had ordered the suspension of the defendant's operating privilege under par. (bs) or (c), the court may order the secretary of transportation to reinstate the operating privilege of the defendant if he or she completes the alcohol abuse treatment program or court–approved alcohol abuse education program.

5. If an approved treatment facility or court–approved alcohol abuse education program, with the written informed consent of the defendant, notifies the agency primarily responsible for providing services to the defendant that the defendant is not participating in the program or that the defendant has not satisfactorily completed a recommended alcohol abuse treatment program or an education program, the court shall hold a hearing to determine whether the penalties under par. (bs) or (c) should be imposed.