

HB 862 -- MINIMUM PRISON TERMS

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Currently, if an offender convicted of one of the offenses specified in statute has one previous prison commitment to the Department of Corrections for a felony offense, the minimum prison term is 40% of the sentence. If an offender has two previous prison commitments to the Department of Corrections for felony offenses, the minimum prison term is 50% of the sentence. If an offender has three or more previous prison commitments to the Department of Corrections, the minimum prison term is 80% of the sentence.

This bill repeals these provisions, requiring any offender with one or two prior felony convictions to serve 50% of the sentence imposed by the court, and any offender with three or more prior felony convictions to serve 80% of the sentence.

This bill is similar to HB 2770 (2024).