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H. R. 2294

To amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to revise the definition of “violent offender” for the purpose of participation in drug courts.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 14, 2007

Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

4 This Act may be cited as the “Enhanced Participa-
5 tion in Drug Courts Act of 2007”.

6 SEC. 2. DEFINITION OF VIOLENT OFFENDER.

7 (a) DEFINITION.—Section 2953(a)(1) of the Omni-
8 bus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42
9 U.S.C. 3797u-2(a)(1)) is amended by inserting “that is

1 punishable by a term of imprisonment exceeding one year”
2 after “convicted of an offense”.

3 (b) PERIOD FOR COMPLIANCE.—Notwithstanding
4 section 2952(2) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe
5 Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3797u–1(2)), each grantee
6 under part EE of such Act shall have not more than 3
7 years from the date of enactment of this Act to adopt the
8 definition of “violent offender” under such part, as
9 amended by subsection (a) of this section.

10 (c) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 90 days after the
11 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall re-
12 vise any regulations or guidelines described in section
13 2952 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act
14 of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3797u–1) in accordance with the
15 amendments made by subsection (a). Such regulations
16 shall specify that grant amounts under part EE of such
17 Act shall be reduced for any drug court that does not
18 adopt the definition of “violent offender” under such part,
19 as amended by subsection (a) of this section, within 3
20 years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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