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Act No. 93 (S.181). An act relating to eliminating the requirement for a presentence investigation for imposition of a deferred sentence

Subjects: Crimes and criminal procedure; sentencing; deferred sentence

This act removes the requirement that a presentence investigation be completed and reviewed by the court prior to imposition of a deferred sentence for an offense that is not a listed crime as defined in 13 V.S.A. § 5301. If the court determines that a presentence investigation is necessary for the court to have the information needed to approve a deferred sentence agreement between the parties for a nonlisted crime, the court may request one pursuant to 13 V.S.A. § 7041(a)(3). If there is no agreement between the parties, the court may request a presentence investigation in considering a deferred sentence for a nonlisted crime according to Rule 32 of the Vermont Rules of Criminal Procedure. If the parties agree to a deferred sentence for a listed crime, a presentence investigation will continue to be required.

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