

DC Residents and First Step Act Credits

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Section 24 - 403.01b "First Step Act parity in earned time credits" of the District's Corrections Oversight Improvement Omnibus Amendment Act of 2022 permits DC Code offenders in BOP custody to earn time credit for participating in First Step Act (FSA) programs. The BOP is currently reviewing eligibility. The BOP is comparing DC Code offenses to US Code offenses in order to determine which offenses render a resident ineligible, similar to exclusions contained within the FSA. The FSA disqualifies all individuals imprisoned for violent crimes, terrorism, espionage, human trafficking, and sex offenses. For residents qualified to earn time credit, the process for earning, recording, and applying those credits will be the same as federal residents.

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