

AN ACT concerning criminal law.

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,  
represented in the General Assembly:**

Section 5. The Drug Court Treatment Act is amended by changing Section 15 as follows:

(730 ILCS 166/15)

Sec. 15. Authorization.

(a) The Chief Judge of each judicial circuit must ~~may~~ establish a drug court program including the format under which it operates under this Act.

(b) Whenever the county boards of 2 or more counties within the same judicial circuit shall determine that a single drug court program would best serve those counties, the county board of each such county shall adopt a resolution to the effect that there shall be a single drug court program serving those counties, and shall provide a copy of the resolution to the Chief Judge of the judicial circuit. Upon receipt of those resolutions, the Chief Judge shall establish or, in the case of an existing drug court program, re-organize a single drug court program to serve those counties.

(c) Upon petition of the county board by the State's Attorney, the court may, for good cause shown of financial hardship or lack of necessary resources, enter an order

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delaying the implementation of the requirements of subsection (a) of this Section for an individual county, for a period not to exceed 2 years.

(Source: P.A. 92-58, eff. 1-1-02.)

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect January 1, 2010.