



**TEXAS BOARD
OF
PARDONS AND PAROLES**

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BOARD POLICY

SUBJECT: ACTION UPON REVIEW – RELEASE DENIED

PURPOSE: To establish a policy for the date on which a parole panel of the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles may reconsider for release an offender who has previously been denied.

AUTHORITY: Texas Government Code Sections 508.0441, 508.045, 508.141, and 508.1411
Texas Administrative Code Title 37, Part 5, Chapter 145, Sections 145.12 and 145.15

POLICY: It is the policy of the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles (Board) to reconsider cases for review in accordance with Section 508.141(g) and (g-1), Government Code.

DISCUSSION: After voting to deny release, which includes identifying the denial reason(s) as required by the statute, a parole panel shall designate a future month and year for the next review of an offender who has been denied release. The designated month must begin after the first anniversary of the date of the denial and end before the fifth anniversary of the date of the denial.

However, for offenders serving a sentence for certain designated Health and Safety Code offenses, the parole panel, after voting to deny release, shall designate the next review date as soon as practicable after the first anniversary of the date of denial.

This policy does not apply to those offenders governed by Board Policy BPP-POL. 145.200 Extraordinary Vote.

PROCEDURE:

I. Reconsider or Deny an Offender's Release – Except as provided by Subsection II

A. Parole Panel's Responsibility

The parole panel that votes to deny release shall designate a month and year (month/year) for the offender's next review to begin after the first anniversary of the date of the denial and end before the fifth anniversary of the date of the denial.

B. Serve-All

The parole panel that votes to deny release may utilize a Serve-All (SA) vote if the offender's projected release date is within five (5) years.

II. Offenders Serving a Sentence for an Offense under Section 481.115, Health and Safety Code, Involving a Controlled Substance Listed in Penalty Group 1, or an Offense under Section 481.1151, 481.116, 481.1161, 481.117, 481.118, or 481.121 of that code.

A. Parole Panel's Responsibility

The parole panel that votes to deny release shall designate a month and year (month/year) for the offender's next review to begin as soon as practicable after the first anniversary of the date of denial.

B. Serve-All

The parole panel that votes to deny release may utilize a Serve-All (SA) vote if the offender's projected release date is within one (1) year.

ADOPTED BY MAJORITY VOTE OF THE BOARD ON THE 20TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2026.

MARSHA MOBERLEY, PRESIDING OFFICER (CHAIR)

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