

HB 1806 -- COMMUNITY SERVICE

SPONSOR: Walton Gray

This bill establishes the "Community Service Program," which must include the performance of services at a local, regional, or state level, as determined by the sentencing court. The services must be directed toward residents, businesses, schools, and churches and the program must provide defendants with job skill training, psychological, drug-related, social, or family counseling, as deemed appropriate, and guided inclusion in positive youth-directed activities and peer counseling.

A court must sentence a defendant who is 15 to 17 years old or a defendant who is 18 years old and enrolled in a secondary school to perform community service under a community service program and the conditions as may be established by the court, in lieu of paying restitution, court costs, fees, expenses, or fines, for all traffic offenses deemed infractions, class C misdemeanors, or violations of any ordinance or political subdivision of this state.

This bill is similar to HB 60 (2015).