



Mississippi Safety Valves

IMPORTANT NOTE: Laws change frequently, and this may not be an up-to-date description of safety valves available. Talk with a lawyer in your state if you have questions about safety valves.

Code Section	Safety Valve Provision for Gang Offenses
§ 97-44-19(5)	The court may choose to suspend the mandatory minimum and give the defendant an alternative punishment in the form of properly supervised community service or placement in an appropriate adolescent offender program, only in an unusual case: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- where the interest of justice would best be served, AND- if the court specifies on the record and enters into the minutes the circumstances and reasons that the interests of justice would best be served by that suspension of punishment.