
SENATE BILL 5834

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By Senators Stevens, Hargrove and Kohl-Welles

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1 AN ACT Relating to studying juvenile offender case filings;
2 creating new sections; and providing an expiration date.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that juvenile offender
5 case filings in King county may have dropped by forty-one percent while
6 the rest of the counties have had reductions that were much lower. To
7 better inform the legislature in developing public policy to assist in
8 the reduction of all juvenile offender cases throughout the state,
9 additional information is needed.

10 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** (1) The joint legislative audit and review
11 committee shall study the juvenile offender case filings reduction in
12 King county as compared to the other counties in the state. The joint
13 legislative audit and review committee shall provide a detailed
14 explanation of the factors for the differences from county to county
15 and any additional information that would assist the legislature,
16 including, but not limited to, recommendations for best practices that
17 could be implemented to achieve comparable results.

1 (2) The joint legislative audit and review committee shall report
2 its findings under subsection (1) of this section to appropriate
3 committees of the legislature by December 1, 2005.

4 (3) This section expires January 1, 2006.

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