
Human Services Committee

SSB 6192

Brief Description: Providing for modification of the disposition concerning restitution in juvenile cases.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Marr and Brandland).

Brief Summary of Substitute Bill

- Permits the inclusion of costs of counseling reasonably related to the offense of which a juvenile has been adjudicated and restitution ordered.
- Permits the court to modify the order of restitution during the 10-year period after the juvenile's 18th birthday.

Hearing Date: 2/18/10

Staff: Linda Merelle (786-7092).

Background:

Restitution.

A juvenile offender, as part of the juvenile's disposition, may be required to make restitution to persons who have suffered loss or damage as a result of the offense committed by the juvenile. The juvenile court may determine the amount, terms, and conditions of the restitution including a payment plan of up to 10 years if the court determines that the juvenile does not have the means to make full restitution over a shorter period of time.

Prior to the expiration of the 10-year period, the juvenile court may extend the judgment for the payment of restitution for an additional 10 years.

Summary of Bill:

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In addition to other restitution amounts, a restitution order may include the costs of counseling reasonably related to the juvenile's offense.

The portion of the juvenile offender's disposition related to restitution may be modified as to amount, terms, and conditions within the 10-year period after the juvenile's 18th birthday. The court may still extend the judgment for the payment of restitution for an additional 10 years if the court does so prior to the expiration of the 10-year period after the juvenile turns 18 years old. If the court extends jurisdiction for an additional 10 years, the disposition of the restitution may not be modified.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available on original bill.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed.