

FINAL BILL REPORT

SHB 1062

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Using juvenile serious violent offenses as criminal history for adult sentencing.

Sponsors: House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Ballasiotes, Koster, Cooke, Costa, Schoesler, Morris, Boldt, Benton, Foreman, Sheldon, Kremen, Mastin, Lisk, Chandler and Carlson).

House Committee on Corrections
House Committee on Appropriations
Senate Committee on Law & Justice

Background: The sentencing of adult felons is governed by Washington's Sentencing Reform Act (SRA). The SRA sets up standard sentence ranges based on two factors: the seriousness of the crime of conviction and the extent of the defendant's criminal history.

Criminal history, for purposes of the SRA, can sometimes include offenses that the defendant committed as a juvenile. The rules for including these juvenile offenses are as follows: