FINAL BILL REPORT HB 1879

C 300 L 95 Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Revising provision for costs of support, treatment, and confinement of juvenile offenders.

Sponsors: Representative Boldt.

House Committee on Corrections Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections

Background: When a juvenile is ordered to serve time in a state juvenile facility, the juvenile's parents or other legally obligated person must pay, at least in part, the costs of supporting, treating and confining the juvenile, pursuant to a schedule developed by the Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration.

The juvenile's parents or other legally obligated person can be obligated to pay these costs even when the juvenile's offense was committed against another person in that family. A concern exists that the juvenile's family should not be required to pay for these costs when the family itself is the victim of the juvenile's offense.

Summary: A juvenile's parent, or other legally obligated person, is not required to pay costs of support, treatment, and confinement of the juvenile if the juvenile is being confined in a state juvenile facility for an offense that was committed against the parent or other legally obligated person, or such person's child, spouse, or spouse's child.

Votes on Final Passage:

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Senate 47 1 (Senate amended) House 94 1 (House concurred)

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