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HOUSE BILL 1646

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By Representatives Quall, Ballasiotes, Dickerson and Sullivan

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1 AN ACT Relating to the indeterminate sentence review board; and  
2 amending RCW 9.95.0011 and 9.95.003.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 9.95.0011 and 1989 c 259 s 4 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 (1) The indeterminate (~~sentencing~~) sentence review board shall  
7 cease to exist on June 30, (~~1998~~) 2008. Prior to June 30, (~~1998~~)  
8 2008, the board shall review each inmate convicted of crimes committed  
9 before July 1, 1984, and prepare a report. This report shall include  
10 a recommendation regarding the offender's suitability for parole,  
11 appropriate parole conditions, and, for those persons committed under  
12 a mandatory life sentence, duration of confinement.

13 (2) The governor, through the office of financial management, shall  
14 recommend to the legislature alternatives for carrying out the duties  
15 of the board. In developing recommendations, the office of financial  
16 management shall consult with the indeterminate sentence review board,  
17 Washington association of prosecuting attorneys, Washington defender  
18 association, department of corrections, and administrator for the  
19 courts. Recommendations shall include a detailed fiscal analysis and

1 recommended formulas and procedures for the reimbursement of costs to  
2 local governments if necessary. Recommendations shall be presented to  
3 the ((1997)) 2007 legislature.

4 **Sec. 2.** RCW 9.95.003 and 1986 c 224 s 3 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 The board shall consist of a chairman and ((six)) two other  
7 members, each of whom shall be appointed by the governor with the  
8 consent of the senate. Each member shall hold office for a term of  
9 five years, and until his or her successor is appointed and qualified.  
10 The terms shall expire on April 15th of the expiration year. Vacancies  
11 in the membership of the board shall be filled by appointment by the  
12 governor with the consent of the senate. In the event of the inability  
13 of any member to act, the governor shall appoint some competent person  
14 to act in his stead during the continuance of such inability. The  
15 members shall not be removable during their respective terms except for  
16 cause determined by the superior court of Thurston county. The  
17 governor in appointing the members shall designate one of them to serve  
18 as chairman at the governor's pleasure.

19 The members of the board and its officers and employees shall not  
20 engage in any other business or profession or hold any other public  
21 office without the prior approval of the executive ethics board; nor  
22 shall they, at the time of appointment or employment or during their  
23 incumbency, serve as the representative of any political party on an  
24 executive committee or other governing body thereof, or as an executive  
25 officer or employee of any political committee or association. The  
26 members of the board shall each severally receive salaries fixed by the  
27 governor in accordance with the provisions of RCW 43.03.040, and in  
28 addition shall receive travel expenses incurred in the discharge of  
29 their official duties in accordance with RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

30 The board may employ, and fix, with the approval of the governor,  
31 the compensation of and prescribe the duties of a secretary and such  
32 officers, employees, and assistants as may be necessary, and provide  
33 necessary quarters, supplies, and equipment.

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