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Provides that, for offenders convicted of a violent offense, the upper limit of the standard sentencing range shall be advisory only. However, without limiting the sentencing discretion of the judge, in cases in which the prosecutor seeks an aggravated sentence, the prosecutor must assert a statutory aggravating factor.

Requires that, in making its determination of the sentence length to be imposed, the court shall consider the risk assessment prepared by the department of corrections, the presentence report, and other materials provided by the offender, and any information provided by the victim or victims of the crime.

Declares that a sentence imposed under this act shall be a determinate sentence unless it is imposed on an offender sentenced under RCW 9.94A.712. The sentence may be appealed by the offender or the state as set forth in RCW 9.94A.585 (2) through (6).