SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5072

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By Senate Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Senator Honeyford)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to the crime of failing to summon assistance;
- 2 amending RCW 9A.36.160; repealing RCW 9A.36.161; and prescribing
- 3 penalties.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 9A.36.160 and 2005 c 209 s 1 are each amended to 6 read as follows:
- 7 (1) A person is guilty of the crime of failing to summon 8 assistance if:
- 9 $((\frac{1}{1}))(\underline{a})$ He or she was present <u>at the time</u> when:
- 10 <u>(i) A</u> crime was committed against another person; or
- 11 (ii) Another person was injured; and
- 12 $((\frac{2}{2}))$ He or she knows that the other person has suffered
- 13 substantial bodily harm ((as a result of the crime committed against
- 14 the other person)) and that the other person is in need of
- 15 assistance; and
- 16 (((3)))(c) He or she could reasonably summon assistance for the
- 17 person in need without danger to himself or herself and without
- 18 interference with an important duty owed to a third party; and
- 19 (((4)))(d) He or she fails to summon assistance for the person in
- 20 need; and

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- 1 (((5)))(e) Another person is not summoning or has not summoned 2 assistance for the person in need of such assistance.
- 3 (2) A violation of this section is a misdemeanor.
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** RCW 9A.36.161 (Failing to summon
- 5 assistance—Penalty) and 2005 c 209 s 2 are each repealed.

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