SENATE BILL 5623

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By Senator Hargrove

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1 AN ACT Relating to extending court supervision of children subject 2 to youth-at-risk orders; and amending RCW 13.32A.198.

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

4 Sec. 1. RCW 13.32A.198 and 1990 c 276 s 15 are each amended to 5 read as follows:

6 (1) Upon making a disposition regarding an adjudicated at-risk 7 youth, the court shall schedule the matter on the calendar for review 8 within three months, advise the parties of the date thereof, appoint 9 legal counsel for the child, advise the parent of the right to be 10 represented by legal counsel at the review hearing at the parent's own 11 expense, and notify the parties of their rights to present evidence at 12 the hearing.

(2) At the review hearing, the court shall approve or disapprove the continuation of court supervision ((in accordance with the goal of assisting the parent to maintain the care, custody, and control of the child. The court shall determine whether the parent and child are complying with the dispositional plan. If court supervision is continued, the court may modify the dispositional plan)). The court may continue court supervision up to two hundred seventy days past the <u>date the review hearing was commenced if the court finds that</u>
<u>continuing court intervention and supervision are necessary to assist</u>
<u>the parent to maintain the care, custody, and control of the child.</u>

4 (3) ((Court supervision of the child may not be continued past one hundred eighty days from the day the review hearing commenced unless 5 б the court finds, and the parent agrees, that there are compelling 7 reasons for an extension of supervision. Any extension granted 8 pursuant to this subsection shall not exceed ninety days.)) At the end 9 of a period of continued supervision extended pursuant to subsection (1) of this section, or at the end of any subsequent period of 10 continued court supervision, the court shall hold a review hearing. At 11 the review hearing, a parent may move the court to continue court 12 supervision of the child for up to one year. The court may extend its 13 14 supervision of the child if the court finds that continuing court intervention and supervision are necessary to assist the parent to 15 maintain the care, custody, and control of the child. In all review 16 hearings held under this section, the court shall determine whether the 17 parent and child are complying with the dispositional plan, and the 18 19 court may modify the dispositional plan.

(4) The court may dismiss an at-risk youth proceeding at any time if the court finds good cause to believe that continuation of court supervision would serve no useful purpose or that the parent is not cooperating with the court-ordered case plan. The court shall dismiss an at-risk youth proceeding if the child is the subject of a proceeding under chapter 13.34 RCW.

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