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SENATE BILL 6182

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By Senators McCaslin and Costa

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to the effect of changes in law on sentencing
- 2 provisions; adding a new section to chapter 9.94A RCW; and creating a
- 3 new section.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** This act is intended to cure any ambiguity
- 6 that might have led to the Washington supreme court's decision in State
- 7 v. Cruz, Cause No. 67147-8 (October 7, 1999). It is intended that
- 8 prior convictions committed by an individual, unless the prior
- 9 conviction is vacated pursuant to RCW 9.94A.230 or some similar
- 10 statute, remain part of the individual's criminal history. A decision
- 11 as to whether a prior conviction shall be included in an individual's
- 12 offender score should be determined by the law in effect on the day the
- 13 current offense was committed. This act is also intended to clarify
- 14 the applicability of statutes creating new sentencing alternatives or
- 15 modifying the availability of existing alternatives.
- 16 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 9.94A RCW
- 17 to read as follows:

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- 1 Any sentence imposed under this chapter shall be determined in
- 2 accordance with the law in effect when the current offense was

3 committed.

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