SENATE BILL 6247

State of Washington56th Legislature2000 Regular SessionBy Senators Heavey, Kline, Costa and ThibaudeauRead first time . Referred to Committee on .

AN ACT Relating to strict liability for injuries or death caused by firearms; adding a new section to chapter 9.41 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

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

5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 9.41 RCW 6 to read as follows:

7 Any person eighteen years of age or older who has possession or 8 control of a firearm that is left unattended and (1) was not placed in 9 a locked box or similar device, or (2) did not have a trigger lock 10 attached to it, is strictly liable in an action for damages for 11 personal injury or death proximately caused by the discharge from such 12 firearm if the injury or death was inflicted by a person under the age 13 of eighteen.

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