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Sponsor(s): Senators Smith, Roach, Haugen, McCaslin, Schow, Long, Rasmussen, Deccio, Hale and Palmer

Brief Description: Revising provisions relating to crimes committed by juveniles.

SB 5191 - DIGEST

Declares goals of emphasizing juvenile and parental accountability and encouraging early and effective intervention in the lives of juveniles at risk to become runaways, truants, or criminal offenders.

Provides for the establishment of community truancy boards.

Revises disposition proceedings statutes.

Provides for evaluation of a juvenile's progress in achieving rehabilitation goals during commitment.

Deletes references to a juvenile disposition standards commission in chapter 13.40 RCW and provides for a juvenile disposition guidelines committee.

Revises the ages for the presumption that a child is presumed to be incapable of committing a crime to children of eight, but under ten years of age.

Deletes the requirement to be a serious offender that the person must be fifteen years of age or older.

Revises the tables for offense categories and sentencing guidelines.