

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 6397

As Reported By Senate Committee On:
Human Services & Corrections, February 3, 2000

Title: An act relating to partial confinement in sentences of one year or less.

Brief Description: Changing provisions relating to partial confinement in sentences of one year or less.

Sponsors: Senators Hargrove, Long, Swecker, Winsley and Costa; by request of Governor Locke.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Human Services & Corrections: 1/28/2000, 2/3/2000 [DPS].

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES & CORRECTIONS

Majority Report: That Substitute Senate Bill No. 6397 be substituted therefor, and the substitute bill do pass.

Signed by Senators Hargrove, Chair; Costa, Vice Chair; Franklin, Kohl-Welles, Long, Sheahan, Stevens and Zarelli.

Staff: Fara Daun (786-7459)

Background: Alternatives to total confinement are available for offenders sentenced to terms of one year or less. Under current law, a term of partial confinement may be substituted on a day for day basis with a term of full confinement.

Summary of Substitute Bill: The Governor must personally testify before a committee that is hearing a Governor request bill.

At least one day and up to two days of partial confinement may be substituted for one day of total confinement.

Substitute Bill Compared to Original Bill: The substitute retains the day for day substitution in current law as a minimum. It also requires the Governor to personally testify on when Governor request legislation is being heard in committee.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Requested on January 17, 2000.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Testimony For: It provides courts more flexibility to use partial confinement alternatives. This may assist to ease jail overcrowding.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: Dick Van Wagenen, Office of Financial Management (pro).