

FINAL BILL REPORT

SSB 5596

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Requiring that policies be developed on the reporting of custodial assaults at juvenile rehabilitation facilities and institutions.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Children & Family Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Stevens, Hargrove, McAuliffe, Parlette and Winsley).

Senate Committee on Children & Family Services & Corrections
House Committee on Juvenile Justice & Family Law

Background: In recognition of the hazardous nature of their work, employees working for the Department of Social and Health Services, Department of Veterans Affairs, and the Department of Natural Resources are eligible for a supplementary reimbursement if they are assaulted by a resident, patient or juvenile offender, suffer injury as a result and miss days of work. The criteria for filing a claim for reimbursement are listed in detail in RCW 72.01.045. There is no requirement that assaults be reported to law enforcement.

Summary: The Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration must develop uniform policies regarding custodial assaults applicable to all juvenile rehabilitation facilities. All custodial assaults on employees must be reported consistent with these policies.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	49	0	
House	95	0	(House amended)
Senate	43	0	(Senate concurred)

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