

SENATE BILL REPORT

SHB 2263

AS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE ON LAW & JUSTICE, FEBRUARY 25, 1992

Brief Description: Correcting references to state correctional facilities.

SPONSORS: House Committee on Human Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Hargrove, Winsley, Prentice, H. Myers, Ludwig, Tate, Morris, Riley, Leonard and Orr; by request of Department of Corrections)

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON LAW & JUSTICE

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Nelson, Chairman; Thorsness, Vice Chairman; Erwin, Hayner, M. Kreidler, Madsen, and Rasmussen.

Staff: Dick Armstrong (786-7460)

Hearing Dates: February 25, 1992

BACKGROUND:

Current state statute referencing state correctional facilities and the Board of Prison Terms and Paroles contain inaccurate and outdated terminology. This includes the use of references to the state penitentiary, a restricted definition of state correctional institutions that lists each correctional facility by name, masculine only gender references, and reference to the no longer existing Board of Prison Terms and Paroles.

SUMMARY:

References in statutes to specific correctional facilities, such as the state penitentiary, are replaced with the term "a state correctional facility." All references to the "Board of Prison Terms and Parole" are eliminated and replaced with reference to the "Indeterminate Sentencing Review Board." Other technical changes are made.

Appropriation: none

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: none requested

TESTIMONY FOR:

The language changes will update the law.

TESTIMONY AGAINST: None

TESTIFIED: Janet Barber, Department of Corrections