

HOUSE BILL REPORT

HB 1204

As Passed House
March 9, 1993

Title: An act relating to at-risk juvenile sex offenders.

Brief Description: Including certain juveniles who are the subject of proceedings under chapter 13.34 RCW in the definition of "at-risk juvenile sex offenders".

Sponsors: Representatives Leonard, Cooke, Riley, Karahalios, Brough, Long, Horn and Wood; by request of Department of Social and Health Services.

Brief History:

Reported by House Committee on:
Human Services, March 3, 1993, DP;
Appropriations, March 6, 1993, DP;
Passed House, March 9, 1993, 95-0.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 8 members:
Representatives Riley, Vice Chair; Cooke, Ranking Minority Member; Talcott, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Lisk; Padden; Patterson; Thibaudeau; and Wolfe.

Staff: David Knutson (786-7146).

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 25 members:
Representatives Locke, Chair; Valle, Vice Chair; Silver, Ranking Minority Member; Carlson, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Appelwick; Ballasiotes; Basich; Cooke; Dellwo; Dorn; Dunshee; G. Fisher; Jacobsen; Lemmon; Linville; Peery; Rust; Sehlin; Sheahan; Sommers; Stevens; Talcott; Wang; Wineberry; and Wolfe.

Staff: Wayne Kawakami (786-7384).

Background: The Community Protection Act, enacted in 1990, defines at-risk juvenile sex offenders as a juvenile in the care and custody of the state who has been abused, has committed a sexually aggressive or violent act which is sexual in nature or cannot be prosecuted for a sex offense

because the juvenile is under age 12 and is incompetent to stand trial.

Summary of Bill: The definition of an at-risk juvenile sex offender is modified to include juveniles, subject to a dependency proceeding under Chapter 13.34 RCW, who has been abused and has committed a sexually aggressive or other violent act which is sexual in nature.

Fiscal Note: Available.

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

Testimony For: (Human Services) This legislation is needed to allow the Department of Social and Health Services to provide services to sexually aggressive youth who are legally dependent.

(Appropriations) None.

Testimony Against: (Human Services) None.

(Appropriations) None.

Witnesses: (Human Services) Representative Leonard, prime sponsor; Bonnie Jacqis, Department of Social and Health Services; and Margaret Casey, The Children's Alliance.

(Appropriations) None.