

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 6113

AS OF JANUARY 18, 1994

Brief Description: Extending juvenile court jurisdiction for up to ten years for collection of restitution payments.

SPONSORS: Senators Nelson, A. Smith, Oke, Amondson, L. Smith, Sellar, Roach, Hochstatter, Schow, Haugen, West, Morton, M. Rasmussen, Winsley, Deccio, Anderson, McCaslin and Moyer

SENATE COMMITTEE ON LAW & JUSTICE

Staff: Susan Carlson (786-7418)

Hearing Dates: January 20, 1994

BACKGROUND:

Under the Juvenile Justice Act, community supervision of juvenile offenders may include a requirement to pay restitution to the victim. For minor offenses, supervision is limited to a maximum term of three months; more serious offenses carry a maximum term of supervision of 12 months. Many juveniles are unable to pay restitution in full within those periods of time.

It has been suggested that the juvenile court should retain jurisdiction over juvenile offenders for up to ten years for purposes of monitoring restitution payments.

SUMMARY:

Juvenile offenders remain under the court's jurisdiction for payment of restitution for up to ten years after their eighteenth birthday. The court may establish a restitution payment plan that extends up to ten years if the court determines the juvenile cannot pay in full over a shorter period.

Appropriation: none

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: requested January 13, 1994