

HOUSE BILL REPORT

HB 1062

As Reported By House Committee On:

Corrections

Title: An act relating to using juvenile serious violent offenses as criminal history for purposes of adult sentencing.

Brief Description: Using juvenile serious violent offenses as criminal history for adult sentencing.

Sponsors: Representatives Ballasiotes, Koster, Cooke, Costa, Schoesler, Morris, Boldt, Benton, Foreman, Sheldon, Kremen, Mastin, Lisk, Chandler and Carlson.

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

Corrections: 1/27/95, 2/3/95 [DPS].

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CORRECTIONS

Majority Report: The substitute bill be substituted therefor and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by 11 members: Representatives Ballasiotes, Chairman; Blanton, Vice Chairman; Sherstad, Vice Chairman; Quall, Ranking Minority Member; Tokuda, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Cole; Dickerson; Koster; Radcliff; K. Schmidt and Schoesler.

Staff: Rick Neidhardt (786-7841).

Background: The sentencing of adult felons is governed by Washington's Sentencing Reform Act (SRA). The SRA sets up standard sentence ranges based on two factors: the seriousness of the crime of conviction and the extent of the defendant's criminal history.

Criminal history, for purposes of the SRA, can sometimes include offenses that the defendant committed as a juvenile. The rules for including these juvenile offenses are as follows: