

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**HOUSE BILL 2389**

54th Legislature  
1996 Regular Session

Passed by the House February 6, 1996  
Yeas 96 Nays 0

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**Speaker of the  
House of Representatives**

Passed by the Senate February 28, 1996  
Yeas 49 Nays 0

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**President of the Senate**

Approved

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**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Timothy A. Martin, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **HOUSE BILL 2389** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

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**Chief Clerk**

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**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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By Representatives Ballasiotes, Quall, Morris, Dellwo, D. Sommers,  
Costa and Thompson; by request of Sentencing Guidelines Commission

Read first time 01/10/96. Referred to Committee on Corrections.

1            AN ACT Relating to classification of felonies; amending RCW  
2 9.92.010; adding a new section to chapter 9.94A RCW; and prescribing  
3 penalties.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 9.94A RCW  
6 to read as follows:

7            For a felony defined by a statute of this state that is not in  
8 Title 9A RCW, unless otherwise provided:

9            (1) If the maximum sentence of imprisonment authorized by law upon  
10 a first conviction of such felony is twenty years or more, such felony  
11 shall be treated as a class A felony for purposes of this chapter;

12            (2) If the maximum sentence of imprisonment authorized by law upon  
13 a first conviction of such felony is eight years or more, but less than  
14 twenty years, such felony shall be treated as a class B felony for  
15 purposes of this chapter;

16            (3) If the maximum sentence of imprisonment authorized by law upon  
17 a first conviction of such felony is less than eight years, such felony  
18 shall be treated as a class C felony for purposes of this chapter.

1       **Sec. 2.** RCW 9.92.010 and 1982 1st ex.s. c 47 s 5 are each amended  
2 to read as follows:

3       Every person convicted of a felony for which no maximum punishment  
4 is specially prescribed by any statutory provision in force at the time  
5 of conviction and sentence, shall be punished by confinement or fine  
6 which shall not exceed confinement in a state correctional institution  
7 for a term of ten years, or by a fine in an amount fixed by the court  
8 of not more than twenty thousand dollars, or by both such confinement  
9 and fine and the offense shall be classified as a class B felony.

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