

HOUSE BILL ANALYSIS

SB 5672

Title: An act relating to drug-free zones in public housing projects.

Brief Description: Authorizing drug-free zones around public housing authority facilities.

Sponsors: Senators Strannigan, Franklin, McCaslin, Benton, Wood, Winsley, Horn, Wojahn, Kline, Kohl and Oke.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND CORRECTIONS

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Background: Current law declares a number of locations to be drug-free zones. In these zones, the penalties for certain drug-related crimes are doubled. The locations covered by this law are schools, school bus stops, public parks, public transit vehicles and shelters, and civic centers.

Summary: Public housing projects designated by a local governing authority as drug-free zones are added as a new category to the current list of places where the penalties for certain drug-related crimes are doubled.

Require the Exercise of Rule- Making Powers: No

Fiscal Note: Available.

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