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Sponsor(s): Senators Fraser, Roach, Fairley, Kohl, Oke and Swecker

Brief Title: Protecting rape victims with children born as a consequence of the rape from contact with the father.

SB 6397 - DIGEST

(SEE ALSO PROPOSED 1ST SUB)

Provides that, upon a conviction for any offense as defined by chapter 9A.44 RCW, the attorney general or the prosecuting attorney in the county of conviction shall initiate an action establishing paternity of any child allegedly conceived and born as a consequence of the offense and an action for termination of the offender's parental rights.

Declares that a person convicted of any sex offense under chapter 9A.44 RCW may not bring an action for the purposes of declaring the existence or nonexistence of a father and child relationship with a child that was conceived and born as a result of the offense.

Provides that a duty of child support shall not be severed or terminated if the person whose parental rights have been terminated has been convicted of any sex offense under chapter 9A.44 RCW, the consequence of which was the conception and birth of the child.