

HOUSE BILL ANALYSIS

HB 1210

Title: An act relating to methamphetamine manufacture.

Brief Description: Enhancing penalties for manufacturing methamphetamines inside a conveyance.

Sponsors: Representatives Campbell, O'Brien, DeBolt, Bush, Sullivan, Kastama, Conway, Delvin, Lovick, Esser, Carrell and Hurst.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND CORRECTIONS

Staff: Yvonne Walker (786-7841).

Background:

The manufacturing of methamphetamine is a seriousness level X, class B felony. An offender who does not have any criminal history has a presumptive range of 51-68 months in prison.

The crime of manufacturing methamphetamine in a motorized vehicle is the same as manufacturing methamphetamine in a stationary building, a seriousness level X, class B felony.

Summary:

If a court makes a finding of fact, or in a jury trial, if the jury finds a special verdict, that an offender operated a methamphetamine laboratory from inside a motor vehicle, trailer, or vessel at the time of the commission of the crime, then an additional two year enhancement will be added to the offender's presumptive sentence.

Fiscal Note: Requested on January 26, 1999.

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