

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## SSB 6621

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Creating a task force to study the interstate compact for adult offender supervision.

**Sponsors:** Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Costa, McCaslin, Kline, Long, Heavey, Haugen, Hargrove, Thibaudeau, Zarelli, Oke, Rasmussen and Kohl-Welles).

**Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections**  
**House Committee on Criminal Justice & Corrections**

**Background:** Washington entered the current probation and parole compact about 60 years ago. It has become outdated and ineffective in the supervision of offenders outside of Washington State. There is concern that the quality of supervision by other states under the current compact is inconsistent and may present public safety risks. The compact has recently been revised and has substantive differences from the old compact.

**Summary:** A task force is created to study the new interstate compact for adult offenders to determine whether it is in the state's interest to adopt the compact. The task force includes legislators, a judge, the Attorney General, the Chief of the Washington State Patrol, a prosecutor, a defender, corrections officials, a sheriff or police chief and two victim advocates, and must make recommendations to the Legislature by January 1, 2001. The task force is staffed by the Office of Financial Management and legislators may receive assistance from Senate Committee Services or Office of Program Research staff.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

Senate	45	0	
House	97	0	(House amended)
Senate	46	0	(Senate concurred)

**Effective:** June 8, 2000