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Brief Description: Increasing penalties for specified crimes against children.

**SB 5476 - DIGEST**

Provides that a person convicted of a crime against a child must be punished by confinement and fine to be no less than the following: By confinement in a state correctional institution for a term of life imprisonment without the possibility of parole.

For purposes of this act a "crime against a child" is designated as one of the following: (1) Rape of a child in the first degree;

(2) child molestation in the first degree; or

(3) homicide by abuse, if the victim is under sixteen years of age.