

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## SB 6627

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As Passed Senate, February 13, 2002

**Title:** An act relating to community service.

**Brief Description:** Renaming, with regard to adult and juvenile offenders, "community service" as "community restitution."

**Sponsors:** Senators Costa, Long, Hargrove, Kline, Kohl-Welles and Winsley.

**Brief History:**

**Committee Activity:** Human Services & Corrections: 1/31/02 [DP].

Passed Senate: 2/13/02, 43-0.

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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES & CORRECTIONS

**Majority Report:** Do pass.

Signed by Senators Hargrove, Chair; Costa, Vice Chair; Carlson, Franklin, Hewitt, Kastama, Kohl-Welles, Long and Stevens.

**Staff:** Tony Rugel (786-7754)

**Background:** The term "community service" has long been associated with work performed as a result of a criminal conviction. There is a desire to remove that association for people who perform service for his or her community as volunteers or out of a sense of altruism.

**Summary of Bill:** The term "community service" is changed to "community restitution."

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Requested on January 28, 2002.

**Effective Date:** The bill takes effect on July 1, 2002.

**Testimony For:** Work is being done around the country on restorative issues and this legislation will help with those concerns.

**Testimony Against:** None.

**Testified:** Pete Peterson, Juvenile Court Administrator, Clallam County (pro); Jean Wessman, Washington Association of Counties (pro).