

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## SSB 6629

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Requiring the administrator for the courts to create a family law handbook.

**Sponsors:** Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Sheahan, T. Sheldon, Jacobsen, Oke, Hargrove, Swecker, Rasmussen, Honeyford, Shin and Winsley).

**Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections**  
**House Committee on Juvenile Justice & Family Law**

**Background:** Studies have shown that strong marital relationships result in stronger families, children, and ultimately stronger communities, and place less of a fiscal burden on the state. Providing people with information on laws relating to marriage and dissolution can help facilitate strong marital relationships.

**Summary:** The Administrator for the Courts must create a handbook explaining the laws pertaining to marriage, child support, dissolution, domestic violence, etc. The handbook is given by the county auditor to people filing a marriage license.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

Senate	44	3
House	90	7

**Effective:** June 13, 2002