

FINAL BILL REPORT

SB 6763

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Creating a task force on services for crime victims.

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

Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections

House Committee on Criminal Justice & Corrections

House Committee on Appropriations

Background: Services available to crime victims vary widely between communities and often by the types of crime committed.

Summary: The Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development, Office of Community Development (OCD) must staff a newly created Washington State task force on funding for community-based services to victims of crime. The Director of OCD serves as chair and selects as many as 15 additional task force members. The Secretary of the Department of Social and Health Services and the Director of the Department of Labor and Industries also serve as members. The task force must measure and evaluate how the state funds community-based organizations providing services to underserved victim populations. Task force activities shall also include identifying federal, state, local, and private funds, including those from foundations and other nonprofits that may be available for community-based crime victim programs, make recommendations regarding assistance and funding, and identify statutory and administrative barriers to improving services to crime victims.

The task force reports its findings to the Governor and the Legislature by November 2002.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	48	0	
House	88	6	(House amended)
Senate	41	0	(Senate concurred)

Effective: June 13, 2002