

5123-S

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections
(originally sponsored by Senators Costa, Long and Hargrove)

Brief Description: Revising the crime of escape as it relates to persons committed to the department of social and health services.
(REVISED FOR PASSED LEGISLATURE: Revising the crime of escape as it relates to sexually violent predators.)

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(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Revises the crime of escape as it relates to sexually violent predators.

Provides that a person is guilty of escape by a sexually violent predator if, having been committed to the department of social and health services as a sexually violent predator under chapter 71.09 RCW, he or she:

- (1) Escapes from custody;
- (2) Escapes from a commitment facility;
- (3) Escapes from a less restrictive alternative facility; or
- (4) While on conditional release and residing in a location other than at a commitment center or less restrictive alternative facility, leaves or remains absent from the state of Washington without prior court authorization.

Declares that escape by a sexually violent predator is a class B felony.