

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 6410

As of January 17, 2006

Title: An act relating to community protection zones.

Brief Description: Revising provisions relating to community protection zones.

Sponsors: Senators Hargrove, Stevens, Doumit, McAuliffe, Regala, Rasmussen and Benton; by request of Attorney General.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Human Services & Corrections: 1/19/06.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES & CORRECTIONS

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Background: A person convicted of two of the crimes listed in Washington's two-strikes law must be sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of release.

Chapter 436, Laws of 2005 prohibits an offender sentenced for a two-strikes offense against a minor victim from living within 880 feet (two blocks) of a public or private school. The Department of Corrections (DOC) and local law enforcement agencies are immune from liability if they make a good faith effort to comply with this law.

The provisions of Chapter 436, Laws of 2005 terminate on July 1, 2006.

Summary of Bill: The residential restriction that applies to persons sentenced for a two-strikes offense against a minor, as well as the immunity provision set out in Chapter 436, Laws of 2005, supersede and preempt the laws of all local governments regarding the same subject matter.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Committee/Commission/Task Force Created: No.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.