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New Crimes/Offense Rank/Definition

Bill No.	Bill Title	Bill Summary as Relates to SGC	Sponsor	Committee
1101 HB	Concerning vehicular homicide offenses.	>RCW 9.94A.030 - Adds Veh Hom - Disregard for Safety of Others to definition of Most Serious Offense and definition of Violent Offense.	Jacobsen	1/21/25 H CS hearing @ 4p
1152 HB	Enhancing public safety by establishing secure storage requirements for firearms in vehicles and residences.	Creates a new unranked class C felony offense for allowing a prohibited person to take possession of a FA and use it to cause personal injury or death to a third party.	Doglio Walen	1/24/25 Exec Session 1/21/25 H CR&J hearing @ 10:30a
5071 SB	Updating the endangerment with a controlled substance statute.	Modifies RCW 9A.42.100 to change the elements of the crime of endangerment w/a CS from knowingly and intentionally to knowingly and recklessly permitting any child, instead of a dependent child, or dependent adult to have contact with, including absorb a CS other than cannabis, unless it was through a prescription.	Braun	1/23/25 Exec Session @10:30a 1/20/25 Hearing S L&J @ 10:30a

Juveniles

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1111 HB 5266 SB	Concerning the indeterminate sentence review board. Youth Hope Act	> RCW 9.94A.730 - changes when persons convicted of one or more crimes committed prior to their 18th birthday may petition the ISRB for early release to reaching age 24 or older instead of having served no less than 20 yrs in confinement, adding that the person has not been convicted for any crime in the 12 mos prior to filing the petition (instead of subsequent to their 18th birthday). The requirements of the absence of any disqualifying serious infraction as defined by DCYF in 12 mos prior to filing petition and the current sentence was for Aggr Murder 1 or a Determinate Plus sentence. > Allows DCYF to provide rental vouchers to persons who is released by the ISRB if such assistance will allow person to safely release. > New Section - limits the number of petitions from persons eligible to petition the ISRB for early release to 70 per yr. The ISRB shall prioritize hearings with highest	Farivar Goodman Simmons	1/20/25 H CS hearing @1:30p 1/20/25 Hearing S HS @1:30p

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		<p>priority given to a) petitioners under the age of 25 in the custody of DCYF, and b) petitioners at DOC who most recently transferred from DCYF pursuant to RCW 72.01.410. Section expires on 7/1/2035.</p> <p>> Known as Youth Hope Act</p>		
1248 HB	Improving the effectiveness of juvenile justice programs by providing ongoing evaluations and clarifying juvenile diversion practices.	<p>> RCW 13.40.080 - Extends a diversion agreement to beyond the indiv's 21st birthday, out from their 18th.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Adds that the court may not terminate a diversion agreement on or after the indiv's 21 birthday and, thereafter, any pending info on the case diverted and any pending motion to terminate shall be dismissed with prejudice and the matter shall remain criminal history as defined in RCW 13.40.020 unless sealed or destroyed. - Adds that a diversion may not supervise the fulfillment of a diversion agreement on or after the indiv's 21st birthday. - Adds that a diversion may not be entered for an offense committed on or after the indiv's 18th birthday. 	Couture	1/22/25 H EL&HS hearing @ 1:30p
1317 HB	Concerning persons serving long sentences for offenses committed prior to reaching 21 years of age.	<p>> RCW 9.94A.510 - changes SL 16 to read "Sentence established by RCW 10.95.030".</p> <p>> RCW 9.94A.540 - Modifies the mandatory minimum language to state that Aggr Murder committed prior to the indiv's 21st birthday, instead of 18th birthday, shall be sentenced to a term of total confinement "that is consistent with RCW 10.95.030" and adds juvenile board cases to the list of exclusions to being eligible for comm custody, ERT, furlough, etc.</p> <p>> RCW 9.94A.570 - Removes language related to a death sentence for Aggr Murder.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Allows someone with a PO sentence to be released from confinement by the board under RCW 9.94A.730 or 10.95.030(2). <p>> RCW 9.94A.728 - Changes the language related to being released by DOC to those who committed crimes prior to their 21st birthday, instead of 18th birthday.</p> <p>> RCW 9.94A.730 - Increases the age of juvenile board cases from 18th to 21st birthday.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Allows indiv convicted of Murder 1 committed <21st birthday to petition ISRB for early release after serving no less than 20 yrs, with caveats. - Allows indiv convicted of Aggr Murder committed <21st birthday to petition the ISRB for early release after serving no less than 25 yrs, with caveats. <p>> RCW 10.95.030 - Adds that indiv convicted of Aggr Mur committed 18-20 yrs old shall be sentenced to a max term of life and min term of no less than 25 yrs if the court determines mitigating factors account for the diminished culpability of youth apply.</p>	Hackney Goodman	1/20/25 H CS hearing @1:30p

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Allows indiv convicted of one or more crimes <21st birthday to petition ISRB for early release after serving no less than 25 yrs, with caveats, and the current sentence was not a Det-Plus sentence. - Eliminates language related to the petition process, hearings and post release supervision and replaces with language that "petitions for early release shall be subject to the provisions of RCW 9.94A.730(2-8). > New Section - repeals RCW 10.95.035 (Return of person to sentencing court if sentenced prior to June 1, 2014 under this chapter or any prior law, for a term of life without the possibility of parole for an offense committed prior to 18th birthday). > New Section - Act applies retroactively to persons incarcerated on the effective date of this section, regardless of the date of the offense or conviction. 		
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Second Look

Bill No.	Bill Title	Bill Summary as Relates to SGC	Sponsor	Committee
1125 HB	Providing judicial discretion to modify sentences in the interests of justice.	<p>> Known as the Judicial Discretion Act - Authorizes sentencing courts to review lengthy sentences upon a showing that a person's original sentence no longer serves the interests of justice.</p> <p>> Any person under total confinement may petition the sentencing court or its successor for a modification of sentence if the original sentence no longer serves the interests of justice if:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Beginning 7/1/2026 - <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. the person has served 7 yrs for offense committed at age 17 or younger b. Person is terminally ill or experiences a permanent or degenerative medical condition that will not pose future threat to public safety. 2. Beginning 7/1/2027 - meets 1.a-b or has served at least 20 yrs for offense committed at age 18-24. 3. Beginning 7/1/2028 - meets 1.a-b or served at least 13 yrs for offense committed at age 18-24. 4. Beginning 7/1/2029 - meets 1.a-b or <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Served at least 13 yrs for offense committed at age 18-24 or b. Served at least 20 yrs for offense committed at age 25+. 5. Beginning 7/1/2030 - meets 1.a-b or 	Simmons Goodman	1/23/25 H CS hearing @ 8a

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		<p>a. Served at least 10 yrs for offense committed at age 18-24 or b. Served at least 17 yrs for offense committed at age 25+.</p> <p>6. Beginning 7/1/2031 - meets 1.a-b or a. Served at least 10 yrs for offense committed at age 18-24 or b. Served at least 30 yrs for offense committed at age 25+.</p> <p>7. Beginning 7/1/2032 - meets 1.a-b or served at least 10 yrs for offense committed at 18+.</p> <p>8. If person does not meet any of these criteria, they may petition the court at any time with consent of the PA.</p> <p>> Petition must include statement by petitioner and supporting docs demonstrating they meet one or more of the following hearing requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - petitioner has demonstrated positive, engaged, and productive behavior while in custody that indicates substantial rehabilitation; - petitioner has demonstrated minimal risk of reoffense which may include medical frailty. <p>> Court may grant the petition and modify the petitioner's original sent if court finds it no longer advances interests of justice, provided any new sent imposed shall not be greater than original sent and provided that any new sent imposed shall be subject to the following restrictions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RCW 9.94A.507 - court may modify min term but not max term or order release from custody; - Pursuant to RCW 9.94A.540, court may not modify sent below mand min term imposed; <p>> In addition to mitigating factors under RCW 9.94A.535(1), court may consider factors when determining whether to modify petitioner's sentences (non-exhaustive list provided).</p> <p>> When modifying, court may impose an exceptional sent below the standard range based on evidence of signif rehab since the offense, and court may impose a sent below mand min term for 1 or more enhancements under RCW 9.94A.533.</p> <p>> If denied, petitioner may file new petition upon a showing of a change in circumstances no earlier than 3 yrs after denial unless court authorizes petitioner to file at an earlier date.</p> <p>> PAO shall make reasonable efforts to notify victims and survivors of victims of any hearing.</p>		
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		<p>> The OCVA shall create a flexible fund to serve victims and survivors of victims impacted by this act. > Court shall provide opportunity for victims and survivors of victims to present statements personally or by representation at the hearing. > Those eligible to petition and unable to afford counsel shall be entitled to have counsel appointed at no cost. > DOC shall provide written notice of this section to any incarcerated indiv sentenced to a term of >10yrs within provided time frames. > A person may not petition for modification of sent if original sent was for Persistent Offender or Aggr Muder. > RCW 9.94A.535 - adds new mitigating circumstance related to petitions to the court for modification of sentence pursuant to Section 3 and the court considers at the hearing the nonexhaustive list of additional factors provided in the act.</p> <p>2/2/24 SGC signed in PRO 1/23/24 Judge Amamilo testified PRO in person and letter of support was submitted electronically 1/19/24 SGC voted PRO</p>		
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Reentry

Bill No.	Bill Title	Bill Summary as Relates to SGC	Sponsor	Committee
1166 HB	Establishing the providing effective education for reentry success act.	<p>> New Section - creates the Providing Effective Edu for Reentry Success program within DOC to ensure indiv can pursue postsecondary education and digital literacy. > RCW 72.09.460 - allows correspondence courses to be eligible for state and federal fin aid if the course is part of a program leading to an Associate, Bachelor or Graduate degree. > RCW 72.09.465 - adds participation selection criteria for DOC and requires DOC to collaborate with nonprofit entities and community-based postsecondary edu programs.</p>	Shavers Simmons	1/21/25 H PE&W hearing @ 1:30p

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		> RCW 72.09.480 - Restricts required deductions of incar indiv funds from applying to funds received by DOC from a 3rd party, incl a nonprofit entity on behalf of an incar indiv for the costs of purchasing a laptop, etc.		
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Miscellaneous

Bill No.	Bill Title	Bill Summary as Relates to SGC	Sponsor	Committee
1074 HB	Excluding any person who is convicted of a hit and run resulting in death from being eligible for a first-time offender waiver.	Adds Hit and run resulting in death (RCW 46.52.020(4)(a)) to the list of offenses excluded from receiving a first-time offense waiver per RCW 9.94A.650.	Jacobsen	1/21/25 H CS hearing @ 4p
1110 HB	Vacating convictions for driving under the influence.	<p>> RCW 9.96.060 - Removes all current DUI, DUI-PC offenses, and any predicate DUI offenses from the list of reasons an applicant may not have the record of conviction for a misd or GM offense vacated</p> <p>> Adds new section allowing persons convicted of DUI, DUI-PC, or a predicate DUI offense to apply to sentencing court for a vacation of record of conviction of the offense if the applicant has not had a subsequent alcohol or drug-related traffic conviction anywhere within 5 yrs of the date of conviction.</p> <p>> Adds that these vacated DUI records qualify as 'prior offenses' under RCW 46.61.502(6) (felony DUI), 46.61.504(6) (felony DUI-PC) and 46.61.5055 (DUI) in a later criminal prosecution of RCW 46.61.502 or 46.61.504 if the later prosecution is within 15 yrs of the date of the conviction for the vacated conviction. In this case, the court may use the vacated conviction in determining a sentencing or whether the subsequent conviction qualifies as a felony under RCW 46.61.5055.</p> <p>> Adds that these vacated DUI records qualify as a prior conviction in determining a sentence for Veh Hom - DUI.</p>	Ortiz-Self Goodman	1/21/25 H CS hearing @ 4p
1178 HB	Concerning sentencing enhancements.	> RCW 9.94A.030 - Eliminates from the list of offenses defining "Pattern of criminal street gang activity" any felony conviction by a person 18 yrs of age or older with a special finding of involving a juv in a felony offenses under RCW 9.94A.833.	Goodman Hackney	1/20/25 H CS hearing @ 1:30p

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		<p>> RCW 9.94A.533 - Eliminates the requirements that enhancements be served in total confinement and removes the requirement that an enh may not be reduced if the enh increases the sentence beyond the stat max.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - FA/DW Enh <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *eliminates requirement to run consecutively to all other sentencing provisions. *adds that when sentenced to multiple FA or DW enh on or after the effective date of the section, the court may order the enh to run consecutively. - Presence of a Child/Mfg Meth Enh - removes the requirement that the enh run consecutively to all other sentencing provisions. - Protected Zone Enh - Eliminates the enhancement. - Veh Hom - DUI Enh - Removes the requirement that the enh be served in total confinement with the exception when the indiv has been convicted of 2 or more prior DUI offenses or one or more Veh Hom - DUI, then all enh must be served in total confinement. - Criminal Street Gang Enh - Eliminates the enhancement. - Minor Child Enh <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *removes the requirements that the enh portion shall be mandatory and run consecutively to all other sentencing provisions. *Adds the exception when the indiv has been convicted of 2 or more prior DUI offenses or one or more Veh Hom - DUI, then all enh must be served in total confinement. <p>> RCW 9.94A.729 - eliminates the restriction to applying good time and earned release credits on a FA, DW, Impaired Driving, and Minor Child enh portion of a sentence.</p> <p>> Repeals RCW 9.94A.833 (Special allegation - involving a minor in felony offense) and RCW 69.50.435 (Violations committed in or on certain public places of facilities - additional penalty)</p> <p>CTSF 2022 Rec #14 - eliminate Street Gang Enh CTSF 2022 Rec #16 - make all enh eligible for ERT</p> <p>SGC voted PRO (2022) HB 1169 supported ERT but neutral on elim of gang enh</p> <p>SGC voted PRO on (2023) HB 1268</p>		
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		<p>SGC voted PRO on (2024) HB 1798 - Concerning allowed earned release time for certain offenses and enhancements.</p> <p>Testimony: In the SGC's 2019 report on its review of the Sentencing Reform Act, the SGC recommended making all enhancements eligible for good time as applied to the underlying sentence. This change would help decrease the complexity of calculating an incarcerated individual's expected release date. Similarly, the Criminal Sentencing Task Force's 2022 report included a recommendation to make all enhancements eligible for earned release time and partial confinement (Rec #16)</p>		
5005 SB	Concerning transparency, public safety, and independent oversight of the city, county, and regional jail system in WA state	Establishes the jail oversight board within the office of the governor to ensure transparency, support safe and humane conditions for jail employees and incarcerated individuals, promote reform toward a more rehabilitative and therapeutic jail system, reduce jails' exposure to litigation, and promote cost savings.	Saldaña	1/21/25 Hearing S HS @1:30p
5219 SB	Concerning partial confinement eligibility and alignment. Requested by Governor's Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > RCW 9.94A.030 - Increases amount of time for partial confinement from no more than one year to up to 18 mos. > RCW 9.94A.6551 - Increases amount of time indiv can spend in partial conf as home detention as part of Parenting program and removes exception for those not sentenced under RCW 9.94A.655 (PSA). > Adds to the criteria when the secretary may transfer an indiv from correctional facility to home detention to include that the incar indiv may be "an indiv expected to take over the duties of a parent and be responsible for exercising the day-to-day care and control of a minor child". > Allows DOC to extend the duration of participation in the alternative program by no more than 6 mos or up to the ERD, whichever comes first if the indiv's ERD changes after placement in partial conf under this section. > Eliminates the definition of 'residential parenting program'. > RCW 9.94A.733 - Expands the amount of time persons may spend on GRE and reduces the amount of time persons must serve to participate on GRE. > RCW 9.94A.728 - Increases the amount of the final months of confinement that may be served in partial conf from 12 to 18. 	Wilson, C	1/21/25 Hearing S HS @ 1:30p

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		> New Section - states the changes to restrictions on the community parenting alternative and partial confinement under sections 1, 2, 3 and 4 apply prospectively and retroactively.		
5152 SB	Concerning state employee access to peer-reviewed journals.	> Directs WSIPP to conduct a study that addresses providing state employees with electronic access to academic, scholarly, or scientific peer-reviewed journals. Study is to be completed by 12/1/2026.	Warnick	1/24/25 Hearing S StGovTribalAff&Ele c

Community Supervision

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