ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2013 COMMITTEE STATEMENT

LB464

| Hearing Date: | Wednesday March 06, 2013 |
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| Committee On: | Judiciary |
| Introducer: | Ashford |
| One Liner: | Change court jurisdiction over juveniles and indictment procedures |

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:

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| Aye: | 6 | Senators Ashford, Christensen, Coash, Lathrop, McGill, Seiler | |
| Nay: | | | |
| Absent: | 1 | Senator Chambers | |
| Present Not Voting: | 1 | Senator Davis | |
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| Proponents: SEN. BRAD ASHFORD DENNIS MARKS ANNE HOBBS SARAH FORREST | Representing: INTRODUCER SELF JUVENILE JUSTICE INSTITUTE VOICES FOR CHILDREN |
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| Opponents: | Representing: |
| Neutral: | Representing: |

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

Legislative Bill 464 would require that a petition against any alleged law violator under the age of 18 be filed in juvenile court. Cases could be transferred to adult court upon a motion by the prosecutor and a hearing before the juvenile court if the alleged law violation is a felony or if the alleged law violation is a misdemeanor and the juvenile was 16 or 17 years old at the time the act was committed. The motion to transfer must be filed with the petition unless otherwise permitted for good cause shown. A hearing on the transfer motion must be scheduled within 15 days. The juvenile court shall retain the case unless a sound basis exists for transferring it to adult court.

The bill has an operative date of January 1, 2014.

Explanation of amendments:

Committee Amendment AM 615 would strike section 9 from the bill.

Brad Ashford, Chairperson