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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 329

As Recommended by Senate Committee on
Judiciary

Brief*

SB 329 would clarify that the court may order a parent to participate in court-sponsored programs designed to rehabilitate a juvenile offender other than those listed in current law. The revised Juvenile Justice Code currently allows a court, in sentencing a juvenile offender, to order the offender's parent to participate in counseling, mediation sessions, an alcohol and drug evaluation and treatment program, or parenting classes.

Background

The bill was introduced by the Senate Committee on Judiciary at the request of Senator Knox and the Fifth Judicial District. In the Senate Committee, a district judge from the Fifth Judicial District testified in support of the bill, stating it would provide more flexibility for the District's Home Court program. There was no opponent testimony.

The Senate Committee recommended the bill be placed on the consent calendar.

The fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill indicates the bill would have no fiscal effect.

*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.kslegislature.org>