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SENATE BILL 5132

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By Senators Talmadge, A. Smith, Wojahn and Oke

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1            AN ACT Relating to liability of parents for the acts of children;  
2 and amending RCW 4.24.190.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4            **Sec. 1.** RCW 4.24.190 and 1992 c 205 s 116 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6            The parent or parents of any minor child under the age of eighteen  
7 years who is living with the parent or parents and who shall willfully  
8 or maliciously destroy property, real or personal or mixed, or who  
9 shall willfully and maliciously inflict personal injury on another  
10 person, shall be liable to the owner of such property or to the person  
11 injured in a civil action at law for damages in an amount not to exceed  
12 ((five)) ten thousand dollars. This section shall in no way limit the  
13 amount of recovery against the parent or parents for their own common  
14 law negligence.

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