

FINAL BILL REPORT

ESSB 6020

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Delaying implementation of the requirement to record social security numbers on license applications to assist in child support enforcement.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Labor & Workforce Development (originally sponsored by Senators Hargrove, Fairley, Benton, Kohl-Welles, Zarelli, Swecker, Roach, McDonald, Rossi, Morton, Spanel, Thibaudeau, Hochstatter, T. Sheldon, Sheahan, Johnson, Prentice, Brown, Heavey, Stevens and Costa).

Senate Committee on Labor & Workforce Development
House Committee on Judiciary

Background: The federal Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (welfare reform) made significant changes to the child support enforcement system, including increasing the use of Social Security numbers on license applications to improve tracking of obligors.

In 1998, the Washington State Legislature passed ESSB 6418 to conform with federal requirements. Subsequently Congress postponed the deadline for implementation of state collection of Social Security numbers on drivers' licenses until October 1, 2000, or such earlier date as the state may select.

Summary: The Legislature declares that the collection of Social Security numbers on applications for original, replacement, or renewal noncommercial drivers' licenses is delayed until the time necessary to comply with the federal deadline.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	44	1
House	95	0

Effective: July 25, 1999