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SENATE BILL 54 SECTIONAL SUMMARY Crime and Sentencing Version A

Section 1

AS 11.56.757(a) – Violation of condition of release.

Changes the offense of violation of condition of release to a crime.

Section 2

AS 11.56.757(b) – Violation of condition of release.

Changes the offense of violation of condition of release to a crime (class B misdemeanor).

Section 3

AS 11.66.130(a) – Sex trafficking in the third degree.

Distinguishes between people who are profiting and promoting a place of prostitution and people who are participating in a cooperative of independent sex workers and engaging in prostitution without receiving compensation or promoting prostitution.

Section 4

AS 11.66.135(a) – Sex trafficking in the fourth degree.

Distinguishes between a person engaging in conduct that institutes, aids, or facilitates prostitution, and a person who is also receiving compensation for prostitution services rendered by another.

Section 5

AS 12.55.125(e) – Sentences of imprisonment for felonies.

Increases the presumptive sentence for a class C felony that is a first felony conviction to up to 90 days imprisonment and up to 18 months suspended imprisonment.

Section 6

AS 12.55.125 – Sentences of imprisonment for felonies.

Requires the court to impose a term of probation for felony sex offenders.

Section 7

AS 12.55.135(a) – Sentences of imprisonment for misdemeanors.

A person convicted of an A misdemeanor may be sentenced up to 60 days if the defendant has one previous conviction for a similar offense.

Section 8

AS 12.55.135(b) – Sentences of imprisonment for misdemeanors.

A person convicted of violation of conditions of release may be sentenced to up to 5 days of imprisonment.

Section 9

AS 12.55.135(l) – Sentences of imprisonment for misdemeanors.

A person convicted of theft in the fourth degree (and similar offenses) may be sentenced up to 10 days of active imprisonment for third and subsequent convictions.

Section 10

AS 12.63.100(6) – Definitions.

Updates the definition of “sex offense” to conform to amendments to sex trafficking in the third and fourth degrees.

Section 11

AS 18.67.101 – Incidents and offenses to which this chapter applies.

Updating the offenses for which the Violent Crimes Compensation Board may order payment of compensation to conform to amendments to sex trafficking in the third and fourth degrees.

Section 12

AS 29.25.070(g) – Penalties.

Clarifies that limitations of municipal authority to impose punishments does not apply to non-criminal offenses.

Section 13

AS 33.07.010 – Pretrial services program; establishment.

Limits the assessment of pretrial risk to defendants brought into custody, or any defendant if requested by prosecution.

Section 14

AS 34.03.360(10) – Definitions.

Updates the definition of “illegal activity involving a place of prostitution” to conform to amendments to sex trafficking in the third and fourth degrees.

Section 15

Repealed statutes

Repeals duplicative felony DUI sentencing provisions and certain sex trafficking statutes.

Section 16

Uncodified law

This section contains applicability provisions.

Section 17

Effective date

Section 13 takes effect January 1, 2018.

Section 18

Effective date

Other than section 17, this bill takes effect immediately.