

Criminal Justice

| <i>Senate Bills</i> |
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| SB 06S-003 Telemedicine in the Department of Corrections |
| SB 06S-005 Insurance Coverage Court Ordered Treatment |
| SB 06S-006 Deny PERA Employment to Convicted Felons |

SB 06S-004 adds elements to the definition for the existing crime of criminal extortion. Under the bill, an individual who threatens to report another person's immigration status to law enforcement officials, unless the other person gives the individual money or another thing of value, commits criminal extortion. Criminal extortion is a class 4 felony.

SB 06S-005 creates the new crime of coercion of involuntary servitude. Forcing an individual to perform labor or services by:

- withholding or threatening to destroy documents relating to that individual's immigration status; or
- threatening to notify law enforcement officials that the individual is present in the United States illegally is coercion of involuntary servitude and is a class 6 felony.

Marriage

In response to a 2006 appellate court ruling, **SB 06S-006** sets a minimum age requirement for entering into a common law marriage. As of September 1, 2006, the bill limits common law marriage to individuals who are at least 18 years old. The individuals may not be married to another person or related by blood.