

1 committee to study the potential disparity in length and harshness of sentences imposed by
2 judges for similar crimes committed by Caucasians and African Americans and to report the
3 findings of the joint committee to the legislature prior to February 28, 2009.

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Requests the House Committee on Judiciary and the Senate Committee on Judiciary C to meet and to function as a joint committee to study the potential disparity in length and harshness of sentences imposed by judges for similar crimes committed by Caucasians and African Americans.