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Pre-S.B. 2 Felony Sentence Ranges

FELONY LEVEL	PRISON TERM*
Repeat Aggravated F-1	10, 11, 12, 13, 14, or 15 to 25 Years
Aggravated F-1	5, 6, 7, 8, 9, or 10 to 25 Years
F-1	4, 5, 6, or 7 to 25 Years
Repeat Aggravated F-2	8, 9, 10, 11, or 12 to 15 Years
Aggravated F-2	3, 4, 5, 6, 7, or 8 to 15 Years
F-2	2, 3, 4, or 5 to 15 Years
Repeat Aggravated F-3	5, 6, 7, or 8 to 10 Years
Aggravated F-3	2, 3, 4, or 5 to 10 Years
F-3	2, 2.5, 3, or 4 to 10 Years
Nonviolent F-3	Flat 12, 18, or 24 Months
F-4	12, 24, 30, or 36 Months to 5 Years
Nonviolent F-4	Flat 6, 12, or 18 Months

* Remember the "minimum" term was reduced by good time in almost every case.



VII. SIMPLIFYING AND HARMONIZING THE CODE¹
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The conversions and new definitions described below, and myriad cross-references related to them, explain most of S.B. 2's bulk.

A. Five Classes of Felonies

For a complete list of offenses and their new classifications, see the List of Crimes in this manual.

- 1. 5 Tiers Replace 12.** S.B. 2 places all classified felonies into 5 tiers. This replaces 12 types of classified felonies under former law: indeterminate 1st, 2nd, 3rd, & 4th degree felonies; determinate 3rd & 4th degree felonies; aggravated 1st, 2nd, & 3rd degree felonies; and repeat aggravated 1st, 2nd, & 3rd degree felonies.
- 2. Neutral Conversion.** Most offenses were "neutrally converted" into the 5 tiers. That is, generally, S.B. 2 maintains the current ranking by seriousness, without rewriting the elements of crimes. S.B. 2 places crimes in new classifications with roughly the same prison term as before. For example, nonviolent third degree felonies become the new fourth degree felonies, with a range of actual prison sentences (minus good time) very similar to those available under former law. *(S.B. 269 neutrally converted a few additional crimes enacted since S.B. 2's passage or overlooked by S.B. 2.)*

FORMER FELONY LEVELS	S.B. 2
Aggravated F-1s	F-1
Aggravated F-2s, Regular F-1s	F-2
Aggravated F-3s, Other Violent F-3s, Regular F-2s	F-3
Violent F-4s, Nonviolent F-3s	F-4

¹ **FELONY SENTENCING** Under S.B. 2 and Its Progeny, David Diroll March 2002



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Nonviolent F-4s	F-5
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