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Bill Analysis

SB 303 modifies the list of aggravating circumstances as it relates to homicide. The measure strikes language stipulating that aggravating circumstances includes a previous conviction of a felony involving the threat of violence, defendants knowingly creating a great risk of death to more than 1 person, murder for hire, heinous or cruel murder, avoiding arrest, and the existence of a probability that the defendant would commit criminal acts of violence that would constitute a continuing threat to society. The measure replaces this stricken language with first degree murder of 2 or more persons, body mutilation, sexual assault, murder of a vulnerable person due to age, and murder relating to a person's race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, or disability.

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