HB 1219 -- DEATH PENALTY

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This bill specifies that if evidence as a whole justifies a sentence of death, the judge in a jury waived trial or a jury must consider whether the person's continued life would constitute a threat to another or society. If the person's continued life would constitute a threat to another or society, the court may sentence the person to death. When determining whether a person is a threat to another or society, the judge or jury may consider any evidence, including evidence received during the first stage of trial.