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1 AN ACT Relating to inmate name changes; and amending RCW 4.24.130.

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

3 **Sec. 1.** RCW 4.24.130 and 1992 c 30 s 1 are each amended to read as  
4 follows:

5 Any person desiring a change of his or her name or that of his or  
6 her child or ward, may apply therefor to the district court of the  
7 judicial district in which he or she resides, by petition setting forth  
8 the reasons for such change; thereupon such court in its discretion may  
9 order a change of the name and thenceforth the new name shall be in  
10 place of the former. Any person committed to a department of  
11 corrections facility shall not be granted the order to legally change  
12 his or her name under the terms and conditions specified in this  
13 section if doing so will interfere with legitimate penological goals.  
14 Name changes required for religious reasons or in recognition of  
15 marriage shall be allowed, however the department of corrections shall  
16 require the inmate to also use his or her committed name while  
17 incarcerated in a department of corrections facility.

18 The district court shall collect the fees authorized by RCW  
19 36.18.010 for filing and recording a name change order, and transmit

1 the fee and the order to the county auditor. The court may collect a  
2 reasonable fee to cover the cost of transmitting the order to the  
3 county auditor.

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