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- 5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
- 6 following:
- 7 "Sec. 1. RCW 9.68A.110 and 1989 c 32 s 9 are each amended to read
- 8 as follows:
- 9 (1) In a prosecution under RCW 9.68A.040, it is not a defense that
- 10 the defendant was involved in activities of law enforcement and
- 11 prosecution agencies in the investigation and prosecution of criminal
- 12 offenses. Law enforcement and prosecution agencies shall not employ
- 13 minors to aid in the investigation of a violation of RCW 9.68A.090 or
- 14 9.68A.100. This chapter does not apply to ((individual case treatment
- 15 in a recognized medical facility or individual case treatment by a
- 16 psychiatrist or psychologist licensed under Title 18 RCW, or to))
- 17 lawful conduct between spouses.
- 18 (2) In a prosecution under RCW 9.68A.050, 9.68A.060, 9.68A.070, or
- 19 9.68A.080, it is not a defense that the defendant did not know the age
- 20 of the child depicted in the visual or printed matter: PROVIDED, That
- 21 it is a defense, which the defendant must prove by a preponderance of
- 22 the evidence, that at the time of the offense the defendant was not in
- 23 possession of any facts on the basis of which he or she should
- 24 reasonably have known that the person depicted was a minor.
- 25 (3) In a prosecution under RCW $9.68A.040((\frac{79.68A.050}{9.68A.060},))$
- 26 or 9.68A.090, it is not a defense that the defendant did not know the
- 27 alleged victim's age: PROVIDED, That it is a defense, which the
- 28 defendant must prove by a preponderance of the evidence, that at the

- 1 time of the offense, the defendant ((reasonably believed the alleged
- 2 victim to be at least eighteen years of age based on declarations by
- 3 the alleged victim)) made a reasonable bona fide attempt to ascertain
- 4 the true age of the minor by requiring production of a driver's
- 5 <u>license</u>, marriage license, birth certificate, or other governmental or
- 6 educational identification card or paper and did not rely solely on the
- 7 oral allegations or apparent age of the minor.
- 8 (4) In a prosecution under RCW 9.68A.050, 9.68A.060, or 9.68A.070,
- 9 it shall be an affirmative defense that the defendant was a law
- 10 enforcement officer in the process of conducting an official
- 11 investigation of a sex-related crime against a minor, or that the
- 12 <u>defendant was providing individual case treatment as a recognized</u>
- 13 medical facility or as a psychiatrist or psychologist licensed under
- 14 Title 18 RCW.
- 15 (5) In a prosecution under RCW 9.68A.050, 9.68A.060, or 9.68A.070,
- 16 the state is not required to establish the identity of the alleged
- 17 victim."
- 18 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. If any provision of this act or its
- 19 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the
- 20 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other
- 21 persons or circumstances is not affected."
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- 25 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "children;" strike the
- 26 remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 9.68A.110."