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1 AN ACT Relating to local law and justice planning; amending RCW
2 72.09.300; and adding a new section to chapter 36.28A RCW.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 72.09.300 and 1987 c 312 s 3 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) A county legislative authority may by resolution or ordinance
7 establish a ((community corrections board which shall consist of nine
8 members)) local law and justice council. The county legislative
9 authority shall ((appoint four members to the board, two of whom shall
10 be from the private sector. The secretary shall appoint one member to
11 the board. In addition, the county prosecutor and county sheriff, or
12 their designees, a judge of the county superior court selected by the
13 county superior court judges, and a county district court judge,
14 selected by the county district court judges, shall be members of the
15 board)) determine the size and composition of the council, which shall

1 include the county sheriff and a representative of the municipal police
2 departments within the county, the county prosecutor and a
3 representative of the municipal prosecutors within the county, a
4 representative of the city legislative authorities within the county,
5 a representative of the county's superior, district, and municipal
6 courts, the county jail administrator, the county clerk, the county
7 risk manager, and the secretary of corrections. Officials designated
8 may appoint representatives.

9 (2) ~~((If))~~ A combination of counties ((establishes)) may establish
10 a ((community corrections board, an)) local law and justice council by
11 intergovernmental agreement ((shall establish the composition and
12 powers of the board, not to exceed the authority granted in this
13 section)). The agreement shall comply with the requirements of this
14 section.

15 (3) ~~The ((community corrections board))~~ local law and justice
16 council shall develop a ((community corrections)) local law and justice
17 plan for the county. The council shall design the elements and scope
18 of the plan, subject to final approval by the county legislative
19 authority. The general intent of the plan shall include seeking means
20 to maximize local resources, reduce duplication of services, and share
21 resources between local and state government. The plan shall also
22 include a section on jail management. This section may include the
23 following elements:

24 (a) A description of current jail conditions, including whether the
25 jail is overcrowded;

26 (b) A description of potential alternatives to incarceration;

27 (c) A description of current jail resources;

28 (d) A description of the jail population as it presently exists and
29 how it is projected to change in the future;

30 (e) A description of projected future resource requirements;

1 (f) A proposed action plan, which shall include recommendations to
2 maximize resources, maximize the use of intermediate sanctions,
3 minimize overcrowding, avoid duplication of services, and effectively
4 manage the jail and the offender population;

5 (g) A list of proposed advisory jail standards and methods to
6 effect periodic quality assurance inspections of the jail;

7 (h) A proposed plan to collect, synthesize, and disseminate
8 technical information concerning local criminal justice activities,
9 facilities, and procedures;

10 (i) A description of existing and potential services for offenders
11 including employment services, substance abuse treatment, mental health
12 services, and housing referral services.

13 (4) The council may propose other elements of the plan, which shall
14 be subject to review and approval by the county legislative authority,
15 prior to their inclusion into the plan.

16 (5) The county legislative authority may request technical
17 assistance in developing or implementing the plan from other units or
18 agencies of state or local government, which shall include the
19 department, the office of financial management, and the Washington
20 association of sheriffs and police chiefs.

21 (6) Upon receiving a request for assistance from a county, the
22 department may provide ((technical)) the requested assistance ((in
23 developing the plan. The plan shall describe the existing correctional
24 resources, goals, objectives, needs, and problems for local and state
25 correctional services in the county. The plan shall review ways to
26 maximize resources and reduce duplication of services. Areas to be
27 addressed in the plan include, but are not limited to: Voluntary
28 services for offenders, which include employment, substance and alcohol
29 abuse services, housing and mental health services; ways to share

1 administrative costs between local and state government; and the
2 development of alternatives to partial and total confinement)).

3 ((+4)) (7) The secretary ((shall)) may adopt rules for the
4 submittal ((and)), review, and approval of all ((plans.
5 Representatives from other state and local agencies and organizations
6 shall participate in the review process. Initiatives that reduce the
7 duplication of services or maximize the use of existing resources shall
8 be given priority)) requests for assistance made to the department.
9 The secretary may also appoint an advisory committee of local and state
10 government officials to recommend policies and procedures relating to
11 the state and local correctional systems and to assist the department
12 in providing technical assistance to local governments. The committee
13 shall include representatives of the county sheriffs, the police
14 chiefs, the county prosecuting attorneys, the county and city
15 legislative authorities, and the jail administrators. The secretary
16 may contract with other state and local agencies and provide funding in
17 order to provide the assistance requested by counties.

18 ((+5)) (8) The department shall establish a base level of state
19 correctional services, which shall be determined and distributed in a
20 consistent manner state-wide. The department's contributions to any
21 ((partnerships)) local government, approved pursuant to this section,
22 shall not operate to reduce this base level of services.

23 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 36.28A RCW
24 to read as follows:

25 The Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs may, upon
26 request of a county's legislative authority, assist the county in
27 developing and implementing its local law and justice plan. In doing
28 so, the association shall consult with the office of financial
29 management and the department of corrections.