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By House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Mielke, Ludwig, Rayburn, Inslee, Riley, Edmondson, Anderson, D. Sommers, Winsley, Vance, Moyer, Miller, Brumsickle, Bowman, Horn, May, Betrozoff, Bray, Orr, Tate, Sheldon and Silver; by request of Attorney General).

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1 AN ACT Relating to community involvement in stopping crime through
2 creation of a Crime Stoppers assistance office; creating new sections;
3 making an appropriation; and providing an expiration date.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The attorney general shall establish
6 a Crime Stoppers assistance office to work in conjunction with local
7 Crime Stoppers organizations, sheriffs, and police chiefs to design
8 model Crime Stoppers programs and provide training and assistance to
9 local Crime Stoppers efforts.

10 (2) The Crime Stoppers assistance office may distribute
11 appropriated funds in the form of grants to law enforcement agencies or
12 local jurisdictions with qualified Crime Stoppers programs as follows:

13 (a) The Crime Stoppers assistance office may accept applications
14 for grants from law enforcement agencies or local jurisdictions with
15 Crime Stoppers programs identical or similar to the model programs or

1 from law enforcement agencies or local jurisdictions wishing to start
2 such programs.

3 (b) The Crime Stoppers assistance office will determine what
4 matching resources, if any, should be required from those Crime
5 Stoppers programs seeking grants.

6 (c) At least twenty-five percent of the grants given in any
7 biennium must be for training, public awareness efforts, and
8 establishing new programs.

9 (d) Grants awarded to local jurisdictions shall be used for
10 operating costs of Crime Stoppers programs, and may not be used for
11 rewards.

12 (e) Law enforcement agencies or local jurisdictions may not receive
13 more than one grant under section 4 of this act. The grant may be
14 awarded either to start a Crime Stoppers program or to expand an
15 existing Crime Stoppers program but not both.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** The attorney general shall appoint an
17 advisory council to periodically review the Crime Stoppers program and
18 report to the legislature, not later than January 1 of each year, on
19 the program's administration and its progress in achieving its
20 objectives.

21 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The attorney general may adopt rules as
22 are necessary to achieve the goals of this program.

23 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** The sum of four hundred thousand
24 dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for
25 the biennium ending June 30, 1993, to the attorney general from the
26 general fund, to effect the purposes of this act.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** This act shall expire on June 30, 1993.