
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2303

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By House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Ludwig, Padden, Riley and Silver)

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1 AN ACT Relating to the crime laboratory system of the state patrol;
2 and adding a new section to chapter 43.43 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.43 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) In all prosecutions involving the analysis of a controlled
7 substance or a sample of a controlled substance by the crime laboratory
8 system of the state patrol, a certified copy of the analytical report
9 signed by the supervisor of the state patrol's crime laboratory or the
10 forensic scientist conducting the analysis is prima facie evidence of
11 the results of the analytical findings.

12 (2) The defendant or a prosecutor may subpoena the forensic
13 scientist who conducted the analysis of the substance to testify at the
14 preliminary hearing and trial of the issue at no cost to the defendant,

1 if the subpoena is issued at least ten days prior to the trial date.