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1 AN ACT Relating to creation of the juvenile justice forecasting  
2 commission; adding new sections to chapter 43.20A RCW; and creating a  
3 new section.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that a formalized  
6 forecasting process will help fulfill Washington's juvenile confinement  
7 and rehabilitative needs. The legislature finds that the accurate  
8 projections provided by a formalized forecast will enable Washington to  
9 increase public safety, improve juvenile offender accountability, and  
10 improve juvenile offender rehabilitation.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** (1) The juvenile justice forecasting  
12 commission is created. The commission shall be composed of the  
13 secretary of the department of social and health services or the  
14 secretary's designee, and the following twelve members, to be appointed  
15 by the governor subject to confirmation by the senate: (a) Two  
16 prosecuting attorneys or deputy prosecuting attorneys; (b) one state  
17 and one local law enforcement officer; (c) two defense attorneys  
18 actively practicing in juvenile court; (d) two superior court judges;

1 (e) two juvenile court administrators; and (f) two members of the  
2 juvenile disposition standards committee, which members shall not be  
3 counted as members of the preceding categories.

4 (2) The governor shall consider geographic diversity in appointing  
5 members.

6 (3) The commission members shall be reimbursed for travel expenses  
7 as provided in RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060. Members shall be  
8 compensated in accordance with RCW 43.03.240.

9 (4) The commission shall meet at least once every three months.

10 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** (1) The commission shall develop annually a  
11 set of assumptions on which to base a forecast of juvenile  
12 institutional population, juvenile community supervision population,  
13 and institutional and community juvenile rehabilitative needs.

14 (2) The commission shall gather and maintain such information as is  
15 necessary for development of accurate, complete, and timely  
16 assumptions.

17 (3) The commission shall annually deliver to the office of  
18 financial management a report containing the annual set of assumptions.

19 (4) Upon receipt of the report, the office of financial management  
20 shall prepare a forecast of juvenile institutional population, juvenile  
21 community supervision population, and juvenile institutional and  
22 community rehabilitative needs. This forecast shall provide at least  
23 a four-year projection and shall be published by December 1 of every  
24 year, beginning with 1994.

25 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** Sections 2 and 3 of this act are each added  
26 to chapter 43.20A RCW.

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