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5 On page 102, after line 21, insert the following:

6 "Sec. 36. RCW 72.01.410 and 1994 c 220 s 1 are each amended to
7 read as follows:

8 (1) Whenever any child under the age of eighteen is convicted in
9 the courts of this state of a crime amounting to a felony, and is
10 committed for a term of confinement in a correctional institution
11 wherein adults are confined, the secretary of corrections, after making
12 an independent assessment and evaluation of the child and determining
13 that the needs and correctional goals for the child could better be met
14 by the programs and housing environment provided by the juvenile
15 correctional institution, with the consent of the secretary of social
16 and health services, may transfer such child to a juvenile correctional
17 institution, or to such other institution as is now, or may hereafter
18 be authorized by law to receive such child, until such time as the
19 child arrives at the age of twenty-one years, whereupon the child shall
20 be returned to the institution of original commitment. Retention
21 within a juvenile detention facility or return to an adult correctional
22 facility shall regularly be reviewed by the secretary of corrections
23 and the secretary of social and health services with a determination
24 made based on the level of maturity and sophistication of the
25 individual, the behavior and progress while within the juvenile
26 detention facility, security needs, and the program/treatment
27 alternatives which would best prepare the individual for a successful
28 return to the community. Notice of such transfers shall be given to
29 the clerk of the committing court and the parents, guardian, or next of
30 kin of such child, if known.

31 (2) A juvenile offender under the age of eighteen who is housed in
32 an adult corrections facility must be placed in housing units separated
33 from adult offenders until the juvenile reaches the age of eighteen."

34 Renumber the sections following consecutively, correct internal
35 references accordingly, and correct the title.

1 EFFECT: Requires juveniles who are convicted as adults and
2 sentenced to prison to be housed in housing units separate from adult
3 offenders until the juvenile reaches the age of eighteen.

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