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5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
6 following:

7 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.330
8 RCW to read as follows:

9 The department shall contract with law enforcement agencies or
10 local jurisdictions with crime stoppers programs for the purpose of
11 making grants for the assistance of local crime stoppers programs.
12 Grant funds shall be allocated according to guidelines established by
13 the department after consultation with representatives of local crime
14 stoppers programs and law enforcement officials.

15 (1) The department shall accept applications for grants from law
16 enforcement agencies or local jurisdictions with crime stoppers
17 programs or from law enforcement agencies or local jurisdictions
18 wishing to start the programs.

19 (2) Except when establishing a new program, the department shall
20 determine what matching resources, if any, should be required from
21 those crime stoppers programs seeking grants.

22 (3) At least twenty-five percent of the grants given in a biennium
23 must be for training, public awareness efforts, and establishing new
24 programs.

25 (4) Grants awarded to local jurisdictions may be used for operating
26 costs of crime stoppers programs.

27 (5) Except for newly established programs, grants may not be used
28 for rewards.

29 (6) Law enforcement agencies or local jurisdictions may not receive
30 more than one grant per biennium under this chapter. The grant may be
31 awarded either to start a crime stoppers program or to expand an
32 existing crime stoppers program, but not both.

33 (7) For the purposes of this section, "crime stoppers program"
34 means a local nonprofit organization comprised of local law enforcement
35 officials and private citizens that, in cooperation with various news
36 media, generates information about crime to enhance community awareness

1 and generate tips that lead to solving crime, while guaranteeing the
2 anonymity of the caller if requested, and that might offer cash rewards
3 for vital information about a crime.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 43.330 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 The director shall appoint an advisory council to periodically
7 review the crime stoppers program under section 1 of this act and to
8 report to the legislature, not later than January 1st of each year, on
9 the program's administration and its progress in achieving its
10 objectives.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 43.330 RCW
12 to read as follows:

13 To expand community involvement and to stimulate youth awareness,
14 the department may foster the development of student crime stoppers
15 programs around the state.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** If specific funding for the purposes of this
17 act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not provided by
18 June 30, 1998, in the omnibus appropriations act, this act is null and
19 void."

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23 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "crime;" strike the remainder
24 of the title and insert "adding new sections to chapter 43.330 RCW; and
25 creating a new section."

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