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By Representatives Delvin, Poulsen, Sheahan, Costa, Kessler, Dickerson, Blalock, Hatfield, Conway, Gombosky, Keiser, Cody, Morris, Ogden, Mason and McDonald

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1 AN ACT Relating to community involvement in stopping crime; adding
2 new sections to chapter 43.330 RCW; and making an appropriation.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.330 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 The department may distribute appropriated funds in the form of
7 grants to law enforcement agencies or local jurisdictions with
8 qualified crime stoppers programs as follows:

9 (1) The department may accept applications for grants from law
10 enforcement agencies or local jurisdictions with crime stoppers
11 programs identical or similar to the model programs or from law
12 enforcement agencies or local jurisdictions wishing to start the
13 programs;

14 (2) The department will determine what matching resources, if any,
15 should be required from those crime stoppers programs seeking grants;

16 (3) At least twenty-five percent of the grants given in a biennium
17 must be for training, public awareness efforts, and establishing new
18 programs;

1 (4) Grants awarded to local jurisdictions may be used for operating
2 costs of crime stoppers programs, and may not be used for rewards; and

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

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

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

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The sum of seven hundred seventy-five
15 thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is
16 appropriated for the biennium ending June 30, 1999, from the general
17 fund to the department of community, trade, and economic development to
18 effect the purposes of this act.

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