

1423-S2

Sponsor(s): House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Sterk, Costa, Sheahan, McDonald, Koster, Robertson, Carrell, Sherstad, Hickel, Delvin, L. Thomas, O'Brien and Conway)

Brief Title: Strengthening the criminal justice training commission.

HB 1423-S2.E - DIGEST

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Creates two separate training standards and education boards.

Declares that the purpose of the board on law enforcement training standards and education is to review and recommend to the commission programs and standards for the training and education of law enforcement personnel.

Declares that the purpose of the board on correctional training standards and education is to review and recommend to the commission programs and standards for the training and education of correctional personnel.

Provides that members of the training standards and education boards may be paid their travel expenses in accordance with RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

Requires that all law enforcement personnel initially hired to, transferred to, or promoted to a supervisory or management position on or after January 1, 1999, shall, within the first six months of entry into the position, successfully complete the core training requirements prescribed by rule of the commission for the position, or obtain a waiver or extension of the core training requirements from the commission.

Requires that by January 1st of every odd-numbered year, the commission shall provide a written report to the legislature addressing the following items: (1) Status and satisfaction of service to its clients; (2) detailed analysis of how it will maintain and update adequate state-of-the-art training models and their delivery in the most cost-effective and efficient manner; and (3) fiscal data projecting its current and future funding requirements.

Requires that each year the criminal justice training commission shall offer an intensive training session on investigation of child abuse and neglect.

VETO MESSAGE ON HB 1423-S2

May 13, 1997

To the Honorable Speaker and Members,

The House of Representatives of the State of Washington
Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith, without my approval as to section 1, Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1423 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to criminal justice training;"

The creation of training standards and education boards for

law enforcement and corrections will give the Criminal Justice Training Commission a valuable new tool to develop and evaluate training programs for these important public employees. Providing for training and certification of supervisory and management personnel will ultimately result in better law enforcement and greater public safety. I am particularly pleased with the provisions of 2SHB 1423 that require intensive training for investigating cases of child abuse and neglect.

Section 1 of the bill would expand the Training Commission from twelve to sixteen members by the addition of four "rank and file" law enforcement officers. The commission has a broad mission, providing training to corrections and jail personnel, county detention personnel, prosecutors and public defenders, in addition to law enforcement officers. I strongly support the presence of line officers on the Training Commission, however, four is too many.

Currently, four of the 16 members of the Training Commission are from law enforcement, two sheriffs and two police chiefs. Four additional law enforcement representatives would upset the balance of the Training Commission.

For these reasons, I have vetoed section 1 of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1423.

With the exception of section 1, I am approving Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1423.

Respectfully submitted,
Gary Locke
Governor