

2 HB 1872 - S AMD - 409

3 By Senators Costa, Heavey and McCaslin

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

7 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) The legislature shall create a task
8 force to study the granting of state-wide warrant jurisdiction to
9 courts of limited jurisdiction. The task force shall determine if it
10 would be beneficial to the operation of the criminal justice system in
11 this state to grant municipal and district courts the authority to take
12 recognizance, approve bail, and arraign defendants on warrants issued
13 by any judicial officer of a court of limited jurisdiction within the
14 state. The task force shall also make recommendations on implementing
15 such jurisdiction including, but not limited to, a review of such
16 issues as speedy trial, appointment of counsel, plea agreements,
17 efficient use of court personnel and resources, and payment of expenses
18 such as transportation, salaries, and per diem. The task force shall
19 also consider the effect of state-wide warrant jurisdiction on local
20 city and county jail populations including, but not limited to,
21 providing for costs of incarceration, as well as mechanisms for
22 managing offenders who are temporarily in custody within the local city
23 or county jail. The task force may also study any other relevant
24 matters that arise during the course of this study.

25 (2) The task force shall consist of the following members:

26 (a) One district court judge, appointed by the Washington state
27 municipal and district court judges association;

28 (b) One municipal court judge, appointed by the Washington state
29 municipal and district court judges association;

30 (c) One prosecuting attorney, appointed by the Washington
31 association of prosecuting attorneys;

32 (d) One public defender, appointed by the Washington defender
33 association;

34 (e) One sheriff or police chief, appointed by the Washington
35 association of sheriffs and police chiefs;

1 (f) Two representatives from the counties, one representative from
2 a large county and one representative from a small county, appointed by
3 the Washington state association of counties;

4 (g) One county official, appointed by the Washington state
5 association of counties;

6 (h) Two representatives from the cities, one representative from a
7 large city and one representative from a small city, appointed by the
8 association of Washington cities;

9 (i) One law enforcement officer, appointed by the Washington
10 association of sheriffs and police chiefs;

11 (j) One county jail administrator, appointed by the Washington
12 association of sheriffs and police chiefs, corrections committee;

13 (k) Two members from the senate, one from each of the two largest
14 caucuses, appointed by the president of the senate; and

15 (l) Two members from the house of representatives, one from each of
16 the two largest caucuses, appointed by the co-speakers of the house of
17 representatives.

18 (3) The chair of the task force shall be selected by the members of
19 the task force. The task force shall submit its recommendations to the
20 chairs of the senate and house of representatives judiciary committees
21 by December 15, 1999."

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25 On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "jurisdiction;" strike the
26 remainder of the title and insert "and creating a new section."

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