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1 AN ACT Relating to deductions from inmate funds; and amending RCW
2 72.09.480.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 72.09.480 and 1998 c 261 s 2 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions
7 in this section apply to this section.

8 (a) "Cost of incarceration" means the cost of providing an inmate
9 with shelter, food, clothing, transportation, supervision, and other
10 services and supplies as may be necessary for the maintenance and
11 support of the inmate while in the custody of the department, based on
12 the average per inmate costs established by the department and the
13 office of financial management.

14 (b) "Minimum term of confinement" means the minimum amount of time
15 an inmate will be confined in the custody of the department,
16 considering the sentence imposed and adjusted for the total potential
17 earned early release time available to the inmate.

18 (2) When an inmate receives any funds in addition to his or her
19 wages or gratuities, the additional funds shall be subject to ((the

1 ~~deductions in RCW 72.09.111(1)(a) and the priorities established in~~
2 ~~chapter 72.11 RCW)): (a) Deductions of five percent to the public~~
3 ~~safety and education account for the purpose of crime victims'~~
4 ~~compensation and ten percent to a department personal inmate savings~~
5 ~~account for funds received each month totaling one hundred dollars or~~
6 ~~less; and (b) deductions in RCW 72.09.111(1)(a) and the priorities~~
7 ~~established in chapter 72.11 RCW for funds received each month~~
8 ~~exceeding one hundred dollars.~~

9 (3) The amount deducted from an inmate's funds under subsection (2)
10 of this section shall not exceed the department's total cost of
11 incarceration for the inmate incurred during the inmate's minimum or
12 actual term of confinement, whichever is longer.

13 (4) The deductions required under subsection (2) of this section
14 shall not apply to funds received by the department on behalf of an
15 offender for payment of one fee-based education or vocational program
16 that is associated with an inmate's work program or a placement
17 decision made by the department under RCW 72.09.460 to prepare an
18 inmate for work upon release.

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