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1 AN ACT Relating to a state-wide jail booking and reporting system;
2 adding new sections to chapter 36.28A RCW; and creating new sections.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 36.28A RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) No later than December 31, 2001, the Washington association of
7 sheriffs and police chiefs shall implement and operate an electronic
8 state-wide city and county jail booking and reporting system. The
9 system shall serve as a central repository and instant information
10 source for offender information and jail statistical data. The system
11 shall be placed on the Washington state justice information network and
12 be capable of communicating electronically with every Washington state
13 city and county jail and with all other Washington state criminal
14 justice agencies as defined in RCW 10.97.030.

15 (2) After the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs
16 has implemented an electronic jail booking system as described in
17 subsection (1) of this section, if a city or county jail or law
18 enforcement agency receives state or federal funding to cover the
19 entire cost of implementing or reconfiguring an electronic jail booking

1 system, the city or county jail or law enforcement agency shall
2 implement or reconfigure an electronic jail booking system that is in
3 compliance with the jail booking system standards developed pursuant to
4 subsection (4) of this section.

5 (3) After the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs
6 has implemented an electronic jail booking system as described in
7 subsection (1) of this section, city or county jails, or law
8 enforcement agencies that operate electronic jail booking systems, but
9 choose not to accept state or federal money to implement or reconfigure
10 electronic jail booking systems, shall electronically forward jail
11 booking information to the Washington association of sheriffs and
12 police chiefs. At a minimum the information forwarded shall include
13 the name of the offender, vital statistics, the date the offender was
14 arrested, the offenses arrested for, and if available, the mug shot.
15 The electronic format in which the information is sent shall be at the
16 discretion of the city or county jail, or law enforcement agency
17 forwarding the information. City and county jails or law enforcement
18 agencies that forward jail booking information under this subsection
19 are not required to comply with the standards developed under
20 subsection (4)(b) of this section.

21 (4) The Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs shall
22 appoint, convene, and manage a state-wide jail booking and reporting
23 system standards committee. The committee shall include
24 representatives from the Washington association of sheriffs and police
25 chiefs correction committee, the information service board's justice
26 information committee, the judicial information system, at least two
27 individuals who serve as jailers in a city or county jail, and other
28 individuals that the Washington association of sheriffs and police
29 chiefs places on the committee. The committee shall have the authority
30 to:

31 (a) Develop and amend as needed standards for the state-wide jail
32 booking and reporting system and for the information that must be
33 contained within the system. At a minimum, the system shall contain:

34 (i) The offenses the individual has been charged with;

35 (ii) Descriptive and personal information about each offender
36 booked into a city or county jail. At a minimum, this information
37 shall contain the offender's name, vital statistics, address, and
38 mugshot;

1 (iii) Information about the offender while in jail, which could be
2 used to protect criminal justice officials that have future contact
3 with the offender, such as medical conditions, acts of violence, and
4 other behavior problems;

5 (iv) Statistical data indicating the current capacity of each jail
6 and the quantity and category of offenses charged; and

7 (v) The ability to communicate directly and immediately with the
8 city and county jails and other criminal justice entities;

9 (b) Develop and amend as needed operational standards for city and
10 county jail booking systems, which at a minimum shall include the type
11 of information collected and transmitted, and the technical
12 requirements needed for the city and county jail booking system to
13 communicate with the state-wide jail booking and reporting system;

14 (c) Develop and amend as needed standards for allocating grants to
15 city and county jails or law enforcement agencies that will be
16 implementing or reconfiguring electronic jail booking systems.

17 (5) By January 1, 2001, the standards committee shall complete the
18 initial standards described in subsection (4) of this section, and the
19 standards shall be placed into a report and provided to all Washington
20 state city and county jails, all other criminal justice agencies as
21 defined in RCW 10.97.030, the chair of the Washington state senate
22 human services and corrections committee, and the chair of the
23 Washington state house of representatives criminal justice and
24 corrections committee.

25 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 36.28A RCW
26 to read as follows:

27 (1) The Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs shall
28 establish and manage a local jail booking system grant fund. All
29 federal or state money collected to offset the costs associated with
30 section 1(2) of this act shall be processed through the grant fund
31 established by this section. The state-wide jail booking and reporting
32 system standards committee established under section 1(4) of this act
33 shall distribute the grants in accordance with any standards it
34 develops.

35 (2) The Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs shall
36 pursue federal funding to be placed into the local jail booking system
37 grant fund.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The Washington association of sheriffs and
2 police chiefs shall pursue federal funding to pay for the costs of
3 implementing the central site of the state-wide jail booking and
4 reporting system.

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** If the Washington association of sheriffs
6 and police chiefs does not receive federal funding for purposes of this
7 act by December 31, 2000, this act is null and void.

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