

2372-S

Sponsor(s): House Committee on Children & Family Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Kagi, D. Sommers, Carrell, Cody, Edwards, Kenney, Wolfe, Lovick and Schual-Berke)

Brief Description: Regulating detention of children within secure facilities.

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(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Provides that an officer taking a child into custody under RCW 13.32A.050(1)(d) may place the child in a juvenile detention facility as provided in RCW 13.32A.065 or a secure facility, except that the child shall be taken to either: (1) A secure facility that is a separate, secure section of a juvenile detention facility; or

(2) detention whenever the officer has been notified that a juvenile court has entered an order directing such placement under this chapter or chapter 13.34 RCW. In no case may a child in contempt be confined in a secure facility that is free-standing outside a juvenile detention facility.

Declares that no placement of a juvenile in a secure facility under RCW 13.32A.060, 13.32A.065, 13.32A.130, 13.32A.250, 28A.225.090, 74.13.033, or 74.13.034 as a result of an order entered under RCW 13.32A.250 or 28A.225.090(2) may displace, or prevent the placement of, a juvenile in a secure facility under RCW 13.32A.050, 13.32A.060, or 13.32A.130. If a secure facility is located in a separate, secure section of a juvenile detention facility, no more than fifty percent of its capacity may be occupied by juveniles placed under RCW 13.32A.250 or 28A.225.090(2). If any capacity of a secure facility located in a juvenile detention facility is taken by a juvenile placed under RCW 13.32A.250 or 28A.225.090 and a juvenile is brought to the secure facility under RCW 13.32A.050, 13.32A.060, or 13.32A.130, that juvenile must be placed in the secure facility and a juvenile placed under RCW 13.32A.250 or 28A.225.090 be moved immediately to the juvenile detention facility.

Declares that the department has no responsibility to attend hearings, provide transportation, case management, or any other services to youth confined in a secure facility that is a separate, secure section of a juvenile detention facility unless it is otherwise ordered by a court under a petition relating to a child in need of services, an at-risk youth, or truancy.

Declares that the cost to county juvenile court administrators of housing youths held in contempt and confined in secure crisis residential centers located in juvenile detention facilities shall be credited against the funds appropriated to fund the costs of processing truancy, children in need of services, and at-risk youth petitions.

Declares that no unfounded allegation of child abuse or neglect may be disclosed to a child-placing agency, private adoption agency, or any other provider licensed under chapter 74.15

RCW.