

5010-S

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections
(originally sponsored by Senators Kohl-Welles, Hargrove, Long,
Goings, Swecker, Winsley, Oke, Benton and Costa)

Brief Title: Providing disciplinary sanctions for sexual misconduct
by employees of custodial agencies.

SB 5010-S - DIGEST

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Provides that when the secretary of DSHS has reasonable cause to believe that sexual intercourse or sexual contact between an employee and an offender has occurred, the secretary shall immediately suspend the employee, and the secretary shall immediately institute proceedings to terminate the employment of any person: (1) Who is found by the department, based on a preponderance of the evidence, to have had sexual intercourse or sexual contact with the offender; or

(2) upon a guilty plea or conviction for any crime specified in chapter 9A.44 RCW when the victim was an offender.

Provides further that, when the secretary has reasonable cause to believe that sexual intercourse or sexual contact between the employee of a contractor and an offender has occurred, the secretary shall require the employee of a contractor to be immediately removed from any employment position which would permit the employee to have any access to any offender.