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SENATE BILL 5427

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By Senators Hargrove, McCaslin, Sheahan, T. Sheldon, Hewitt and Oke Read first time 01/23/2001. Referred to Committee on Human Services & Corrections.

- 1 AN ACT Relating to felony costs of incarceration
- 2 reimbursements; amending RCW 9.94A.190 and 70.48.410; providing an
- 3 effective date; and declaring an emergency.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 9.94A.190 and 2000 c 28 s 4 are each amended to read 6 as follows:
- 7 (1) A sentence that includes a term or terms of confinement
- 8 totaling more than one year shall be served in a facility or
- 9 institution operated, or utilized under contract, by the state.
- 10 The costs of incarceration for the portion of the sentence or
- 11 sentences served in the county jail, including credit given to the
- 12 <u>offender for pretrial time served prior to an offender's transfer</u>
- 13 to a state facility shall be the financial responsibility of the
- 14 state. Reimbursement to the county for those costs shall not exceed
- 15 the highest rate charged by the county under its contract with a
- 16 municipal government during the year in which the costs were
- 17 <u>incurred</u>. Except as provided in subsection (3) of this section, a
- 18 sentence of not more than one year of confinement shall be served

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- 1 in a facility operated, licensed, or utilized under contract, by
- 2 the county, or if home detention or work crew has been ordered by
- 3 the court, in the residence of either the offender or a member of
- 4 the offender's immediate family.
- 5 (2) If a county uses a state partial confinement facility for
- 6 the partial confinement of a person sentenced to confinement for
- 7 not more than one year, the county shall reimburse the state for
- 8 the use of the facility as provided in this subsection. The office
- 9 of financial management shall set the rate of reimbursement based
- 10 upon the average per diem cost per offender in the facility. The
- 11 office of financial management shall determine to what extent, if
- 12 any, reimbursement shall be reduced or eliminated because of funds
- 13 provided by the legislature to the department for the purpose of
- 14 covering the cost of county use of state partial confinement
- 15 facilities. The office of financial management shall reestablish
- 16 reimbursement rates each even-numbered year.
- 17 (3) A person who is sentenced for a felony to a term of not
- 18 more than one year, and who is committed or returned to
- 19 incarceration in a state facility on another felony conviction,
- 20 either under the indeterminate sentencing laws, chapter 9.95 RCW,
- 21 or under this chapter shall serve all terms of confinement,
- 22 including a sentence of not more than one year, in a facility or
- 23 institution operated, or utilized under contract, by the state,
- 24 consistent with the provisions of RCW 9.94A.400.
- 25 (4) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, a
- 26 sentence imposed pursuant to RCW 9.94A.660 which has a standard
- 27 sentence range of over one year, regardless of length, shall be
- 28 served in a facility or institution operated, or utilized under
- 29 contract, by the state.
- 30 (5) All revenues derived from this section shall be considered
- 31 in contract negotiations under RCW 39.34.180(2).
- 32 **Sec. 2.** RCW 70.48.410 and 1984 c 235 s 2 are each amended to read
- 33 as follows:
- 34 Persons convicted of a felony as defined by chapter 9A.20 RCW
- 35 and committed to the care and custody of the department of
- 36 corrections shall be the financial responsibility of the
- 37 department of corrections ((not later than the eighth day,

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- 1 excluding weekends and holidays, following sentencing for the
- 2 felony and notification that the prisoner is available for
- 3 movement to a state correctional institution. However, if good
- 4 cause is shown, a superior court judge may order the prisoner
- 5 detained in the jail beyond the eight-day period for an additional
- 6 period not to exceed ten days. If a superior court orders a
- 7 convicted felon to be detained beyond the eighth day following
- 8 sentencing, the county or city shall retain financial
- 9 responsibility for that ten-day period or portion thereof ordered
- 10 by the court)).
- 11 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** Section 1 of this act is necessary for the
- 12 immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or
- 13 support of the state government and its existing public
- 14 institutions, and takes effect July 1, 2001.

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