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By Senators Constantine, Hale and Costa

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1 AN ACT Relating to extending the period of court jurisdiction; and
2 amending RCW 35.20.255, 3.50.330, and 3.66.068.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 35.20.255 and 1999 c 56 s 3 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 Judges of the municipal court, in their discretion, shall have the
7 power in all criminal proceedings within their jurisdiction including
8 violations of city ordinances, to defer imposition of any sentence,
9 suspend all or part of any sentence, fix the terms of any such deferral
10 or suspension, and provide for such probation and parole as in their
11 opinion is reasonable and necessary under the circumstances of the
12 case, but in no case shall it extend for more than five years from the
13 date of conviction for a defendant to be sentenced under RCW 46.61.5055
14 and two years from the date of conviction for all other offenses. If
15 a court of limited jurisdiction orders a defendant to appear before the
16 court following conviction and imposition of a deferred or suspended
17 sentence and the defendant fails to appear for the hearing as ordered
18 and the defendant is otherwise amenable to process then the court's
19 jurisdiction shall be tolled. The period of the court's jurisdiction

1 shall be tolled during any period a warrant is outstanding. However,
2 the jurisdiction period in this section does not apply to the
3 enforcement of orders issued under RCW 46.20.720.

4 **Sec. 2.** RCW 3.50.330 and 1999 c 56 s 1 are each amended to read as
5 follows:

6 For a period not to exceed five years after imposition of sentence
7 for a defendant sentenced under RCW 46.61.5055 and two years after
8 imposition of sentence for all other offenses, the court shall have
9 continuing jurisdiction and authority to suspend the execution of all
10 or any part of the sentence upon stated terms, including installment
11 payment of fines. If a court of limited jurisdiction orders a
12 defendant to appear before the court following conviction and
13 imposition of a deferred or suspended sentence and the defendant fails
14 to appear for the hearing as ordered and the defendant is otherwise
15 amenable to process then the court's jurisdiction shall be tolled. The
16 period of the court's jurisdiction shall be tolled during any period a
17 warrant is outstanding. However, the jurisdiction period in this
18 section does not apply to the enforcement of orders issued under RCW
19 46.20.720.

20 **Sec. 3.** RCW 3.66.068 and 1999 c 56 s 2 are each amended to read as
21 follows:

22 For a period not to exceed five years after imposition of sentence
23 for a defendant sentenced under RCW 46.61.5055 and two years after
24 imposition of sentence for all other offenses, the court has continuing
25 jurisdiction and authority to suspend the execution of all or any part
26 of its sentence upon stated terms, including installment payment of
27 fines. If a court of limited jurisdiction orders a defendant to appear
28 before the court following conviction and imposition of a deferred or
29 suspended sentence and the defendant fails to appear for the hearing as
30 ordered and the defendant is otherwise amenable to process then the
31 court's jurisdiction shall be tolled. The period of the court's
32 jurisdiction shall be tolled during any period a warrant is
33 outstanding. However, the jurisdiction period in this section does not
34 apply to the enforcement of orders issued under RCW 46.20.720.

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