
ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6700

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By Senate Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Senators Finkbeiner, Roach, Oke and McAuliffe)

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1 AN ACT Relating to limiting publication of personal information of
2 law enforcement-related and court-related employees; and adding new
3 sections to chapter 4.24 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** Any person or organization who, with the
6 intent to harm or intimidate, sells, trades, gives, publishes,
7 distributes, or otherwise releases the residential address, residential
8 telephone number, birthdate, or social security number of any law
9 enforcement-related, corrections officer-related, or court-related
10 employee or volunteer, or someone with a similar name, and categorizes
11 them as such, without the express written permission of the employee or
12 volunteer must disclose the full legal name, the full residential or
13 business street address, and the full residential or business telephone
14 number of the person or organization selling, trading, giving,
15 publishing, distributing, or otherwise releasing the information,
16 unless specifically exempted by law or court order.

17 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** (1) Whenever it appears that any person or
18 organization is engaged in or about to engage in any act that

1 constitutes or will constitute a violation of section 1 of this act,
2 the prosecuting attorney or any person harmed by an alleged violation
3 of section 1 of this act may initiate a civil proceeding in superior
4 court to enjoin such violation, and may petition the court to issue an
5 order for the discontinuance of the dissemination of information in
6 violation of section 1 of this act.

7 (2) An action under this section shall be brought in the county in
8 which the violation is alleged to have taken place, and shall be
9 commenced by the filing of a verified complaint, or shall be
10 accompanied by an affidavit.

11 (3) If it is shown to the satisfaction of the court, either by
12 verified complaint or affidavit, that a person or organization is
13 engaged in or about to engage in any act that constitutes a violation
14 of section 1 of this act, the court may issue a temporary restraining
15 order to abate and prevent the continuance or recurrence of the act.

16 (4) The court may issue a permanent injunction to restrain, abate,
17 or prevent the continuance or recurrence of the violation of section 1
18 of this act. The court may grant declaratory relief, mandatory orders,
19 or any other relief deemed necessary to accomplish the purposes of the
20 injunction. The court may retain jurisdiction of the case for the
21 purpose of enforcing its orders.

22 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** Any law enforcement-related, corrections
23 officer-related, or court-related employee or volunteer who suffers
24 damages as a result of a person or organization selling, trading,
25 giving, publishing, distributing, or otherwise releasing the
26 residential address, residential telephone number, birthdate, or social
27 security number of the employee or volunteer in violation of section 1
28 of this act may bring an action against the person or organization in
29 court for actual damages sustained, plus attorneys' fees and costs.

30 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** Sections 1 through 3 of this act are each
31 added to chapter 4.24 RCW.

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