

1260-S2

Sponsor(s): House Committee on Criminal Justice & Corrections
(originally sponsored by Representatives Lovick, Ballasiotes,
O'Brien, Kagi and Haigh)

Brief Description: Establishing a postsecondary education program
for inmates.

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(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Establishes a postsecondary education program for inmates.

Directs the department of corrections to implement and obtain
through a request for proposal process, a pilot postsecondary
educational program for inmates.

Requires the secretary to ensure that the request for proposal
is offered to community and four-year colleges to provide
postsecondary educational courses for inmates on a self-pay system.

Requires inmates to pay all costs and tuition for
participation in the postsecondary courses.

Requires the secretary to select for the pilot program one
institution for males and one institution for females.

Provides that inmates may use their own funds and funds
deducted by the department under RCW 72.09.111 from their personal
inmate savings account for the sole purposes of their postsecondary
educational classes.

Provides that any funds received by the department on behalf
of an offender's education that are requested by that offender to
be used for purposes other than education or vocational programming
are subject to the deductions in this act.

Directs the department to prepare and submit a report to the
legislature, not later than January 1, 2003, including
recommendations regarding whether the pilot postsecondary
educational program should be extended and stating the number of
inmates who participated in the program.