

2559-S

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

Brief Description: Authorizing the certification of corrections  
officers.

**HB 2559-S - DIGEST**

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that, as a condition of continuing employment as  
corrections officers, all Washington state corrections officers  
shall: (1) Timely obtain certification as corrections officers, or  
timely obtain exemption therefrom, by meeting all requirements of  
RCW 43.101.220, as that section is administered under the rules of  
the commission, as well as by meeting any additional requirements  
under this act; and

(2) Maintain the basic certification as corrections officers  
under this act.

Provides that the commission shall certify corrections  
officers who have satisfied, or have been exempted by statute or by  
rule from, the basic training requirements of RCW 43.101.220 on or  
before January 1, 2005. Thereafter, the commission may revoke  
certification pursuant to this act.