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1 AN ACT Relating to local intervention and prevention programs for
2 reducing youth involvement in criminal street gang activities; adding
3 new sections to chapter 43.20A RCW; and creating a new section.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The legislature finds that criminal
6 street gang activities are a serious problem that threatens the
7 long-term economic, social, and public safety interests of Washington
8 state and its counties and cities. Local communities require
9 assistance to reduce criminal street gang activity and to increase
10 criminal street gang intervention and prevention services that can
11 strengthen families, improve school performance, reduce criminal
12 activity and promote prosocial development and success among our
13 state's young adults.

14 (2) An initial investment in prevention and intervention measures
15 will help to ensure that our youth avoid gang membership and
16 activities, as well as other future criminal behavior. Studies have
17 shown that effective interventions reduce criminal activity and
18 recidivism. It is the intent of this act to provide youth and

1 communities with the effective tools they need to better protect the
2 citizens of Washington from criminal street gang activities.

3 (3) Criminal street gang activity may be influenced by activities
4 such as alcohol and drug use. Given this relationship, revenues for
5 liquor sale and consumption generated from the recent passage of
6 Initiative Measure No. 1183 are a logical source of funding for the
7 grant program established in section 2 of this act.

8 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 43.20A RCW
9 to read as follows:

10 Grants authorized.

11 (1) In general. When funding is appropriated for this purpose, the
12 Washington state partnership council on juvenile justice shall award
13 grants to carry out local projects focused on criminal street gang
14 prevention and intervention programs. The following members shall
15 serve on the grant application review committee: (a) The chair of the
16 Washington state partnership council on juvenile justice or the chair's
17 designee; (b) the secretary of the department of social and health
18 services or the secretary's designee; (c) the executive director of the
19 Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs or the executive
20 director's designee; (d) the attorney general or the attorney general's
21 designee; (e) one representative from counties; (f) one representative
22 from cities; and (g) one representative from nongovernmental
23 organizations, appointed by the chair of the partnership council. Each
24 entity or organization has a vote when determining awards.

25 (2) Eligible entities. Coalitions composed of, at a minimum, one
26 or more local governmental entities and one or more nonprofit,
27 nongovernmental organizations that have a documented history of
28 creating and administering effective criminal street gang prevention
29 and intervention programs may apply for funding under this section.

30 (3) Applications. An eligible entity seeking a grant under this
31 section shall submit an application to the Washington state partnership
32 council on juvenile justice at such time, in such form, and in such
33 manner as the partnership council may prescribe. Applications, at a
34 minimum, must demonstrate that:

35 (a) A significant criminal street gang problem exists in the
36 jurisdiction or jurisdictions. Factors that may be considered in
37 determining whether a significant criminal street gang problem exists

1 include, but are not limited to: Crime statistics that are coded as
2 gang-related; gang-related incidents, including graffiti and
3 gang-related criminal activity; offenders residing in a jurisdiction
4 that are under supervision of the department of corrections or the
5 department of social and health services and are known active gang
6 members; school or community surveys indicating a substantial level of
7 gang activity in schools or the community, and previous or ongoing gang
8 intervention activities in the jurisdiction;

9 (b) Addressing the impact of criminal street gangs is a high
10 priority in the jurisdiction seeking the grant;

11 (c) The funds will be used to offer services to prevent the
12 expansion of criminal street gang membership or support criminal street
13 gang membership intervention to a targeted population through:

14 (i) The use of one or more evidence-based or research-based
15 programs, as defined in RCW 71.36.010, such as the office of juvenile
16 justice and delinquency prevention program's comprehensive gang model;
17 or

18 (ii) The use of one or more innovative culturally relevant
19 practices;

20 (d) The applicant will provide at least twenty-five percent of the
21 requested grant amount through local matching funds. Local matching
22 funds may be provided in-kind or as cash, from public or private fund
23 sources; and

24 (e) The applicant's costs of administering the grant will not
25 exceed four percent of the grant award.

26 (4) Term. Grant funds awarded under this section are limited to a
27 period of twelve calendar months.

28 (5) The grant application review committee shall give priority to
29 applicants who have demonstrated the greatest problems with criminal
30 street gangs pursuant to subsection (3)(a) of this section.

31 (6) No supplanting. Grant funds awarded under this section must be
32 used to supplement, not supplant, other moneys that are available for
33 prevention and intervention programs.

34 (7) Reports. Each eligible entity that receives a grant under this
35 section shall submit a report describing the activities carried out
36 with the grant funds to the secretary within one month of the one-year
37 anniversary of receiving the award. The report must include a
38 description of the number and types of youth served, the services

1 provided, and the impact of those services upon the youth and the
2 community. The partnership council shall report to the appropriate
3 policy and fiscal committees of the legislature regarding the status of
4 the grant program established by this section by December 31, 2012.

5 (8) As used in this section, "criminal street gang" has the same
6 meaning as defined in RCW 9.94A.030.

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 43.20A RCW
8 to read as follows:

9 (1) The criminal street gang prevention and intervention grant
10 program account is created in the custody of the state treasurer. All
11 receipts from the following must be deposited into the account:

12 Gifts, grants, bequests, devises, or other funds from public or
13 private sources to support the gang violence prevention and
14 intervention grant program established in section 2 of this act.

15 (2) Expenditures from the account may be made only for
16 establishing, administering, funding, and maintaining the criminal
17 street gang violence prevention and intervention grant program
18 established in section 2 of this act. Only the secretary or the
19 secretary's designee may authorize expenditures from the account. The
20 account is subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but
21 an appropriation is not required for expenditures.

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