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SENATE BILL 6094

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By Senator Hargrove

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1 AN ACT Relating to the use of jail data for research purposes in  
2 the public interest; and amending RCW 70.48.100.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 70.48.100 and 1990 c 3 s 130 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 (1) A department of corrections or chief law enforcement officer  
7 responsible for the operation of a jail shall maintain a jail register,  
8 open to the public, into which shall be entered in a timely basis:

9 (a) The name of each person confined in the jail with the hour,  
10 date and cause of the confinement; and

11 (b) The hour, date and manner of each person's discharge.

12 (2) Except as provided in subsection (3) of this section the  
13 records of a person confined in jail shall be held in confidence and  
14 shall be made available only to criminal justice agencies as defined in  
15 RCW 43.43.705; or

16 (a) For use in inspections made pursuant to RCW 70.48.070;

17 (b) In jail certification proceedings;

18 (c) For use in court proceedings upon the written order of the  
19 court in which the proceedings are conducted; (~~(e)~~)

1       (d) To the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs;

2       (e) To the Washington institute for public policy, research and  
3 data analysis division of the department of social and health services,  
4 higher education institutions of Washington state, Washington state  
5 health care authority, or the successor entities of these  
6 organizations, for the purpose of research in the public interest.  
7 Data disclosed for research purposes must comply with relevant state  
8 and federal statutes; or

9       (f) Upon the written permission of the person.

10       (3)(a) Law enforcement may use booking photographs of a person  
11 arrested or confined in a local or state penal institution to assist  
12 them in conducting investigations of crimes.

13       (b) Photographs and information concerning a person convicted of a  
14 sex offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030 may be disseminated as provided  
15 in RCW 4.24.550, 9A.44.130, 9A.44.140, 10.01.200, 43.43.540, 43.43.745,  
16 46.20.187, 70.48.470, 72.09.330, and section 401, chapter 3, Laws of  
17 1990.

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