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SENATE BILL 5783

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By Senators Rivers, Dansel, Fain, Sheldon, Hatfield, and Benton Read first time 02/02/15. Referred to Committee on Law & Justice.

- 1 AN ACT Relating to peace officers; and adding a new section to 2 chapter 9.94A RCW.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- MEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 9.94A RCW to read as follows:
- 6 (1) Any peace officer has authority to assist the department with 7 the supervisions of offenders.
- 8 (2) If a peace officer has reasonable cause to believe an offender is in violation of the terms of supervision, the peace officer may conduct a search as provided under RCW 9.94A.631, of the offender's person, automobile, or other personal property to search for evidence of the violation. A peace officer may assist a community corrections officer with a search of the offender's residence if requested to do so by the community corrections officer.
 - (3) A peace officer may arrest and detain any offender who violates a condition of community custody and place him or her in total confinement pending disposition of the alleged violation.
 - (4) A report summarizing the arrest and supporting evidence shall be provided to the department within twenty-four hours of the arrest, excluding weekends and holidays for the department to consider

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sanctions pursuant to this chapter. If the department does not pursue sanctions, the offender shall be released on the violation.

- (5) Nothing in this section prevents a peace officer from arresting an offender for any new crime found as a result of the offender's arrest or search authorized by this section.
- (6) For the purposes of this section, "peace officer" refers to a limited or general authority Washington peace officer as defined in RCW 10.93.020.

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