

HB 2461 - H AMD 1462

By Representative Hayes

1 On page 2, after line 7, insert the following:

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3 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. (1) The administrative office of the
4 courts, in consultation with the department of corrections, caseload
5 forecast council, and the Washington state association of counties,
6 shall study the costs of post-conviction incarceration and treatment
7 of offenders serving a sentence in a county jail for a drug offense
8 with a seriousness level I designation under RCW 9.94A.518 where the
9 offender had an offender score of three, four, or five for the present
10 conviction. The study must evaluate: (a) the costs of post-conviction
11 incarceration and treatment statewide and by county; (b) the total
12 number of offenders statewide and by county; (c) the types and number
13 of offenses charged for the present convictions, and the types of
14 offenses for which the offenders were convicted and sentenced,
15 statewide and by county; (d) information as to whether treatment
16 services are provided for those offenders in jails; and (e) any
17 opportunity costs associated with incarcerating those offenders in
18 jails as opposed to the department of corrections, which may include,
19 but is not limited to, changes to recidivism, and effect on reentry
20 and reintegration into the community following release from
21 incarceration.

22 (2) Within appropriated funds, the administrative office of the
23 courts shall conduct the study required under this section and submit
24 a report with findings to the house public safety committee, senate
25 law and justice committee, and fiscal committees of the legislature no
26 later than December 1, 2018."

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1 Renumber the remaining section consecutively and correct any
2 internal references accordingly.

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4 On page 2, line 8, after "2." strike "Section 1 of this" and
5 insert "This"

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7 Correct the title.

EFFECT: Requires the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC), in consultation with the Department of Corrections (DOC), Caseload Forecast Council, and Washington State Association of Counties, to study the costs of post-conviction incarceration and treatment for offenders serving a sentence in a county jail for a drug offense with a seriousness level I designation under RCW 9.94A.518 where the offender had an offender score of three, four, or five for the present conviction.

Requires the study to include an evaluation of the following: (a) the costs of post-conviction incarceration and treatment statewide and by county; (b) the total number of offenders statewide and by county; (c) the types and number of offenses charged for the present convictions, and the types of offenses for which the offenders were convicted and sentenced, statewide and by county; (d) information as to whether treatment services are provided for those offenders in jails; and (e) any opportunity costs associated with incarcerating offenders in jails as opposed to the DOC, which may include, but is not limited to, changes to recidivism, and effect on reentry and reintegration into the community following release from incarceration.

Requires the AOC, within appropriated funds, to submit a report with findings to the House Public Safety Committee, Senate Law and Justice Committee, and fiscal committees of the Legislature no later than December 1, 2018.

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