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**HOUSE BILL 1233**

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**By** Representatives Jacobsen, Volz, McEntire, Walsh, and Graham

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1 AN ACT Relating to the housing of inmates in state correctional  
2 facilities; and adding a new section to chapter 72.09 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 72.09  
5 RCW to read as follows:

6 An inmate may not be housed in a correctional facility that  
7 primarily houses persons of a different biological sex than that of  
8 the inmate if the inmate has previously been convicted of a sex  
9 offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030 against a victim whose biological  
10 sex is the same as those persons who are primarily housed in that  
11 correctional facility.

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