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1 AN ACT Relating to crimes involving methamphetamine; amending RCW
2 69.50.401 and 69.50.440; reenacting and amending RCW 9.94A.030; and
3 prescribing penalties.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 9.94A.030 and 1996 c 289 s 1 and 1996 c 275 s 5 are
6 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

7 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in
8 this section apply throughout this chapter.

9 (1) "Collect," or any derivative thereof, "collect and remit," or
10 "collect and deliver," when used with reference to the department of
11 corrections, means that the department is responsible for monitoring
12 and enforcing the offender's sentence with regard to the legal
13 financial obligation, receiving payment thereof from the offender, and,
14 consistent with current law, delivering daily the entire payment to the
15 superior court clerk without depositing it in a departmental account.

16 (2) "Commission" means the sentencing guidelines commission.

17 (3) "Community corrections officer" means an employee of the
18 department who is responsible for carrying out specific duties in

1 supervision of sentenced offenders and monitoring of sentence
2 conditions.

3 (4) "Community custody" means that portion of an inmate's sentence
4 of confinement in lieu of earned early release time or imposed pursuant
5 to RCW 9.94A.120 (6), (8), or (10) served in the community subject to
6 controls placed on the inmate's movement and activities by the
7 department of corrections.

8 (5) "Community placement" means that period during which the
9 offender is subject to the conditions of community custody and/or
10 postrelease supervision, which begins either upon completion of the
11 term of confinement (postrelease supervision) or at such time as the
12 offender is transferred to community custody in lieu of earned early
13 release. Community placement may consist of entirely community
14 custody, entirely postrelease supervision, or a combination of the two.

15 (6) "Community service" means compulsory service, without
16 compensation, performed for the benefit of the community by the
17 offender.

18 (7) "Community supervision" means a period of time during which a
19 convicted offender is subject to crime-related prohibitions and other
20 sentence conditions imposed by a court pursuant to this chapter or RCW
21 16.52.200(6) or 46.61.524. For first-time offenders, the supervision
22 may include crime-related prohibitions and other conditions imposed
23 pursuant to RCW 9.94A.120(5). For purposes of the interstate compact
24 for out-of-state supervision of parolees and probationers, RCW
25 9.95.270, community supervision is the functional equivalent of
26 probation and should be considered the same as probation by other
27 states.

28 (8) "Confinement" means total or partial confinement as defined in
29 this section.

30 (9) "Conviction" means an adjudication of guilt pursuant to Titles
31 10 or 13 RCW and includes a verdict of guilty, a finding of guilty, and
32 acceptance of a plea of guilty.

33 (10) "Court-ordered legal financial obligation" means a sum of
34 money that is ordered by a superior court of the state of Washington
35 for legal financial obligations which may include restitution to the
36 victim, statutorily imposed crime victims' compensation fees as
37 assessed pursuant to RCW 7.68.035, court costs, county or interlocal
38 drug funds, court-appointed attorneys' fees, and costs of defense,
39 fines, and any other financial obligation that is assessed to the

1 offender as a result of a felony conviction. Upon conviction for
2 vehicular assault while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or
3 any drug, RCW 46.61.522(1)(b), or vehicular homicide while under the
4 influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug, RCW 46.61.520(1)(a),
5 legal financial obligations may also include payment to a public agency
6 of the expense of an emergency response to the incident resulting in
7 the conviction, subject to the provisions in RCW 38.52.430.

8 (11) "Crime-related prohibition" means an order of a court
9 prohibiting conduct that directly relates to the circumstances of the
10 crime for which the offender has been convicted, and shall not be
11 construed to mean orders directing an offender affirmatively to
12 participate in rehabilitative programs or to otherwise perform
13 affirmative conduct.

14 (12)(a) "Criminal history" means the list of a defendant's prior
15 convictions, whether in this state, in federal court, or elsewhere.
16 The history shall include, where known, for each conviction (i) whether
17 the defendant has been placed on probation and the length and terms
18 thereof; and (ii) whether the defendant has been incarcerated and the
19 length of incarceration.

20 (b) "Criminal history" shall always include juvenile convictions
21 for sex offenses and serious violent offenses and shall also include a
22 defendant's other prior convictions in juvenile court if: (i) The
23 conviction was for an offense which is a felony or a serious traffic
24 offense and is criminal history as defined in RCW 13.40.020(9); (ii)
25 the defendant was fifteen years of age or older at the time the offense
26 was committed; and (iii) with respect to prior juvenile class B and C
27 felonies or serious traffic offenses, the defendant was less than
28 twenty-three years of age at the time the offense for which he or she
29 is being sentenced was committed.

30 (13) "Day fine" means a fine imposed by the sentencing judge that
31 equals the difference between the offender's net daily income and the
32 reasonable obligations that the offender has for the support of the
33 offender and any dependents.

34 (14) "Day reporting" means a program of enhanced supervision
35 designed to monitor the defendant's daily activities and compliance
36 with sentence conditions, and in which the defendant is required to
37 report daily to a specific location designated by the department or the
38 sentencing judge.

39 (15) "Department" means the department of corrections.

1 (16) "Determinate sentence" means a sentence that states with
2 exactitude the number of actual years, months, or days of total
3 confinement, of partial confinement, of community supervision, the
4 number of actual hours or days of community service work, or dollars or
5 terms of a legal financial obligation. The fact that an offender
6 through "earned early release" can reduce the actual period of
7 confinement shall not affect the classification of the sentence as a
8 determinate sentence.

9 (17) "Disposable earnings" means that part of the earnings of an
10 individual remaining after the deduction from those earnings of any
11 amount required by law to be withheld. For the purposes of this
12 definition, "earnings" means compensation paid or payable for personal
13 services, whether denominated as wages, salary, commission, bonuses, or
14 otherwise, and, notwithstanding any other provision of law making the
15 payments exempt from garnishment, attachment, or other process to
16 satisfy a court-ordered legal financial obligation, specifically
17 includes periodic payments pursuant to pension or retirement programs,
18 or insurance policies of any type, but does not include payments made
19 under Title 50 RCW, except as provided in RCW 50.40.020 and 50.40.050,
20 or Title 74 RCW.

21 (18) "Drug offense" means:

22 (a) Any felony violation of chapter 69.50 RCW except possession of
23 a controlled substance (RCW 69.50.401(d)) or forged prescription for a
24 controlled substance (RCW 69.50.403);

25 (b) Any offense defined as a felony under federal law that relates
26 to the possession, manufacture, distribution, or transportation of a
27 controlled substance; or

28 (c) Any out-of-state conviction for an offense that under the laws
29 of this state would be a felony classified as a drug offense under (a)
30 of this subsection.

31 (19) "Escape" means:

32 (a) Escape in the first degree (RCW 9A.76.110), escape in the
33 second degree (RCW 9A.76.120), willful failure to return from furlough
34 (RCW 72.66.060), willful failure to return from work release (RCW
35 72.65.070), or willful failure to be available for supervision by the
36 department while in community custody (RCW 72.09.310); or

37 (b) Any federal or out-of-state conviction for an offense that
38 under the laws of this state would be a felony classified as an escape
39 under (a) of this subsection.

1 (20) "Felony traffic offense" means:

2 (a) Vehicular homicide (RCW 46.61.520), vehicular assault (RCW
3 46.61.522), eluding a police officer (RCW 46.61.024), or felony hit-
4 and-run injury-accident (RCW 46.52.020(4)); or

5 (b) Any federal or out-of-state conviction for an offense that
6 under the laws of this state would be a felony classified as a felony
7 traffic offense under (a) of this subsection.

8 (21) "Fines" means the requirement that the offender pay a specific
9 sum of money over a specific period of time to the court.

10 (22)(a) "First-time offender" means any person who is convicted of
11 a felony (i) not classified as a violent offense or a sex offense under
12 this chapter, or (ii) that is not the manufacture, delivery, or
13 possession with intent to manufacture or deliver a controlled substance
14 classified in schedule I or II that is a narcotic drug, nor the
15 manufacture, delivery, or possession with intent to deliver
16 methamphetamine, its salts, isomers, and salts of its isomers as
17 defined in RCW 69.50.206(d)(2), nor the selling for profit of any
18 controlled substance or counterfeit substance classified in schedule I,
19 RCW 69.50.204, except leaves and flowering tops of marihuana, and
20 except as provided in (b) of this subsection, who previously has never
21 been convicted of a felony in this state, federal court, or another
22 state, and who has never participated in a program of deferred
23 prosecution for a felony offense.

24 (b) For purposes of (a) of this subsection, a juvenile adjudication
25 for an offense committed before the age of fifteen years is not a
26 previous felony conviction except for adjudications of sex offenses and
27 serious violent offenses.

28 (23) "Most serious offense" means any of the following felonies or
29 a felony attempt to commit any of the following felonies, as now
30 existing or hereafter amended:

31 (a) Any felony defined under any law as a class A felony or
32 criminal solicitation of or criminal conspiracy to commit a class A
33 felony;

34 (b) Assault in the second degree;

35 (c) Assault of a child in the second degree;

36 (d) Child molestation in the second degree;

37 (e) Controlled substance homicide;

38 (f) Extortion in the first degree;

39 (g) Incest when committed against a child under age fourteen;

1 (h) Indecent liberties;
2 (i) Kidnapping in the second degree;
3 (j) Leading organized crime;
4 (k) Manslaughter in the first degree;
5 (l) Manslaughter in the second degree;
6 (m) Manufacture, deliver, or possess with intent to manufacture or
7 deliver methamphetamine or possession of ephedrine or pseudoephedrine
8 with intent to manufacture methamphetamine;
9 (n) Promoting prostitution in the first degree;
10 (~~(n)~~) (o) Rape in the third degree;
11 (~~(o)~~) (p) Robbery in the second degree;
12 (~~(p)~~) (q) Sexual exploitation;
13 (~~(q)~~) (r) Vehicular assault;
14 (~~(r)~~) (s) Vehicular homicide, when proximately caused by the
15 driving of any vehicle by any person while under the influence of
16 intoxicating liquor or any drug as defined by RCW 46.61.502, or by the
17 operation of any vehicle in a reckless manner;
18 (~~(s)~~) (t) Any other class B felony offense with a finding of
19 sexual motivation, as "sexual motivation" is defined under this
20 section;
21 (~~(t)~~) (u) Any other felony with a deadly weapon verdict under RCW
22 9.94A.125;
23 (~~(u)~~) (v) Any felony offense in effect at any time prior to
24 December 2, 1993, that is comparable to a most serious offense under
25 this subsection, or any federal or out-of-state conviction for an
26 offense that under the laws of this state would be a felony classified
27 as a most serious offense under this subsection.
28 (24) "Nonviolent offense" means an offense which is not a violent
29 offense.
30 (25) "Offender" means a person who has committed a felony
31 established by state law and is eighteen years of age or older or is
32 less than eighteen years of age but whose case has been transferred by
33 the appropriate juvenile court to a criminal court pursuant to RCW
34 13.40.110. Throughout this chapter, the terms "offender" and
35 "defendant" are used interchangeably.
36 (26) "Partial confinement" means confinement for no more than one
37 year in a facility or institution operated or utilized under contract
38 by the state or any other unit of government, or, if home detention or
39 work crew has been ordered by the court, in an approved residence, for

1 a substantial portion of each day with the balance of the day spent in
2 the community. Partial confinement includes work release, home
3 detention, work crew, and a combination of work crew and home detention
4 as defined in this section.

5 (27) "Persistent offender" is an offender who:

6 (a)(i) Has been convicted in this state of any felony considered a
7 most serious offense; and

8 (ii) Has, before the commission of the offense under (a) of this
9 subsection, been convicted as an offender on at least two separate
10 occasions, whether in this state or elsewhere, of felonies that under
11 the laws of this state would be considered most serious offenses and
12 would be included in the offender score under RCW 9.94A.360; provided
13 that of the two or more previous convictions, at least one conviction
14 must have occurred before the commission of any of the other most
15 serious offenses for which the offender was previously convicted; or

16 (b)(i) Has been convicted of (A) rape in the first degree, rape in
17 the second degree, or indecent liberties by forcible compulsion; (B)
18 murder in the first degree, murder in the second degree, kidnapping in
19 the first degree, kidnapping in the second degree, assault in the first
20 degree, assault in the second degree, or burglary in the first degree,
21 with a finding of sexual motivation; or (C) an attempt to commit any
22 crime listed in this subsection (27)(b)(i); and

23 (ii) Has, before the commission of the offense under (b)(i) of this
24 subsection, been convicted as an offender on at least one occasion,
25 whether in this state or elsewhere, of an offense listed in (b)(i) of
26 this subsection.

27 (28) "Postrelease supervision" is that portion of an offender's
28 community placement that is not community custody.

29 (29) "Restitution" means the requirement that the offender pay a
30 specific sum of money over a specific period of time to the court as
31 payment of damages. The sum may include both public and private costs.
32 The imposition of a restitution order does not preclude civil redress.

33 (30) "Serious traffic offense" means:

34 (a) Driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any
35 drug (RCW 46.61.502), actual physical control while under the influence
36 of intoxicating liquor or any drug (RCW 46.61.504), reckless driving
37 (RCW 46.61.500), or hit-and-run an attended vehicle (RCW 46.52.020(5));
38 or

1 (b) Any federal, out-of-state, county, or municipal conviction for
2 an offense that under the laws of this state would be classified as a
3 serious traffic offense under (a) of this subsection.

4 (31) "Serious violent offense" is a subcategory of violent offense
5 and means:

6 (a) Murder in the first degree, homicide by abuse, murder in the
7 second degree, assault in the first degree, kidnapping in the first
8 degree, or rape in the first degree, assault of a child in the first
9 degree, or an attempt, criminal solicitation, or criminal conspiracy to
10 commit one of these felonies; or

11 (b) Any federal or out-of-state conviction for an offense that
12 under the laws of this state would be a felony classified as a serious
13 violent offense under (a) of this subsection.

14 (32) "Sentence range" means the sentencing court's discretionary
15 range in imposing a nonappealable sentence.

16 (33) "Sex offense" means:

17 (a) A felony that is a violation of chapter 9A.44 RCW or RCW
18 9A.64.020 or 9.68A.090 or a felony that is, under chapter 9A.28 RCW, a
19 criminal attempt, criminal solicitation, or criminal conspiracy to
20 commit such crimes;

21 (b) A felony with a finding of sexual motivation under RCW
22 9.94A.127 or 13.40.135; or

23 (c) Any federal or out-of-state conviction for an offense that
24 under the laws of this state would be a felony classified as a sex
25 offense under (a) of this subsection.

26 (34) "Sexual motivation" means that one of the purposes for which
27 the defendant committed the crime was for the purpose of his or her
28 sexual gratification.

29 (35) "Total confinement" means confinement inside the physical
30 boundaries of a facility or institution operated or utilized under
31 contract by the state or any other unit of government for twenty-four
32 hours a day, or pursuant to RCW 72.64.050 and 72.64.060.

33 (36) "Transition training" means written and verbal instructions
34 and assistance provided by the department to the offender during the
35 two weeks prior to the offender's successful completion of the work
36 ethic camp program. The transition training shall include instructions
37 in the offender's requirements and obligations during the offender's
38 period of community custody.

1 (37) "Victim" means any person who has sustained emotional,
2 psychological, physical, or financial injury to person or property as
3 a direct result of the crime charged.

4 (38) "Violent offense" means:

5 (a) Any of the following felonies, as now existing or hereafter
6 amended: Any felony defined under any law as a class A felony or an
7 attempt to commit a class A felony, criminal solicitation of or
8 criminal conspiracy to commit a class A felony, manslaughter in the
9 first degree, manslaughter in the second degree, indecent liberties if
10 committed by forcible compulsion, kidnapping in the second degree,
11 arson in the second degree, assault in the second degree, assault of a
12 child in the second degree, extortion in the first degree, robbery in
13 the second degree, vehicular assault, and vehicular homicide, when
14 proximately caused by the driving of any vehicle by any person while
15 under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug as defined by
16 RCW 46.61.502, or by the operation of any vehicle in a reckless manner;

17 (b) Any conviction for a felony offense in effect at any time prior
18 to July 1, 1976, that is comparable to a felony classified as a violent
19 offense in (a) of this subsection; and

20 (c) Any federal or out-of-state conviction for an offense that
21 under the laws of this state would be a felony classified as a violent
22 offense under (a) or (b) of this subsection.

23 (39) "Work crew" means a program of partial confinement consisting
24 of civic improvement tasks for the benefit of the community of not less
25 than thirty-five hours per week that complies with RCW 9.94A.135. The
26 civic improvement tasks shall have minimal negative impact on existing
27 private industries or the labor force in the county where the service
28 or labor is performed. The civic improvement tasks shall not affect
29 employment opportunities for people with developmental disabilities
30 contracted through sheltered workshops as defined in RCW 82.04.385.
31 Only those offenders sentenced to a facility operated or utilized under
32 contract by a county or the state are eligible to participate on a work
33 crew. Offenders sentenced for a sex offense as defined in subsection
34 (33) of this section are not eligible for the work crew program.

35 (40) "Work ethic camp" means an alternative incarceration program
36 designed to reduce recidivism and lower the cost of corrections by
37 requiring offenders to complete a comprehensive array of real-world job
38 and vocational experiences, character-building work ethics training,

1 life management skills development, substance abuse rehabilitation,
2 counseling, literacy training, and basic adult education.

3 (41) "Work release" means a program of partial confinement
4 available to offenders who are employed or engaged as a student in a
5 regular course of study at school. Participation in work release shall
6 be conditioned upon the offender attending work or school at regularly
7 defined hours and abiding by the rules of the work release facility.

8 (42) "Home detention" means a program of partial confinement
9 available to offenders wherein the offender is confined in a private
10 residence subject to electronic surveillance.

11 **Sec. 2.** RCW 69.50.401 and 1996 c 205 s 2 are each amended to read
12 as follows:

13 (a) Except as authorized by this chapter, it is unlawful for any
14 person to manufacture, deliver, or possess with intent to manufacture
15 or deliver, a controlled substance.

16 (1) Any person who violates this subsection with respect to:

17 (i) a controlled substance classified in Schedule I or II which is
18 a narcotic drug, is guilty of a crime and upon conviction may be
19 imprisoned for not more than ten years, or (A) fined not more than
20 twenty-five thousand dollars if the crime involved less than two
21 kilograms of the drug, or both such imprisonment and fine; or (B) if
22 the crime involved two or more kilograms of the drug, then fined not
23 more than one hundred thousand dollars for the first two kilograms and
24 not more than fifty dollars for each gram in excess of two kilograms,
25 or both such imprisonment and fine;

26 (ii) methamphetamine, is guilty of a crime and upon conviction may
27 be imprisoned for not more than ten years, or (A) fined not more than
28 twenty-five thousand dollars if the crime involved less than two
29 kilograms of the drug, or both such imprisonment and fine; or (B) if
30 the crime involved two or more kilograms of the drug, then fined not
31 more than one hundred thousand dollars for the first two kilograms and
32 not more than fifty dollars for each gram in excess of two kilograms,
33 or both such imprisonment and fine. Three thousand dollars of the fine
34 may not be suspended. Up to three thousand dollars of the fine
35 collected must be deposited with the law enforcement agency having
36 responsibility for cleanup of laboratories, sites, or substances used
37 in the manufacture of the methamphetamine. The fine moneys must be
38 used for such clean-up cost;

1 (iii) any other controlled substance classified in Schedule I, II,
2 or III, is guilty of a crime and upon conviction may be imprisoned for
3 not more than five years, fined not more than ten thousand dollars, or
4 both;

5 (iv) a substance classified in Schedule IV, is guilty of a crime
6 and upon conviction may be imprisoned for not more than five years,
7 fined not more than ten thousand dollars, or both;

8 (v) a substance classified in Schedule V, is guilty of a crime and
9 upon conviction may be imprisoned for not more than five years, fined
10 not more than ten thousand dollars, or both.

11 (b) Except as authorized by this chapter, it is unlawful for any
12 person to create, deliver, or possess a counterfeit substance.

13 (1) Any person who violates this subsection with respect to:

14 (i) a counterfeit substance classified in Schedule I or II which is
15 a narcotic drug, is guilty of a crime and upon conviction may be
16 imprisoned for not more than ten years, fined not more than twenty-five
17 thousand dollars, or both;

18 (ii) a counterfeit substance which is methamphetamine, is guilty of
19 a crime and upon conviction may be imprisoned for not more than ten
20 years, fined not more than twenty-five thousand dollars, or both;

21 (iii) any other counterfeit substance classified in Schedule I, II,
22 or III, is guilty of a crime and upon conviction may be imprisoned for
23 not more than five years, fined not more than ten thousand dollars, or
24 both;

25 (iv) a counterfeit substance classified in Schedule IV, is guilty
26 of a crime and upon conviction may be imprisoned for not more than five
27 years, fined not more than ten thousand dollars, or both;

28 (v) a counterfeit substance classified in Schedule V, is guilty of
29 a crime and upon conviction may be imprisoned for not more than five
30 years, fined not more than ten thousand dollars, or both.

31 (c) It is unlawful, except as authorized in this chapter and
32 chapter 69.41 RCW, for any person to offer, arrange, or negotiate for
33 the sale, gift, delivery, dispensing, distribution, or administration
34 of a controlled substance to any person and then sell, give, deliver,
35 dispense, distribute, or administer to that person any other liquid,
36 substance, or material in lieu of such controlled substance. Any
37 person who violates this subsection is guilty of a crime and upon
38 conviction may be imprisoned for not more than five years, fined not
39 more than ten thousand dollars, or both.

1 (d) It is unlawful for any person to possess a controlled substance
2 unless the substance was obtained directly from, or pursuant to, a
3 valid prescription or order of a practitioner while acting in the
4 course of his or her professional practice, or except as otherwise
5 authorized by this chapter. Any person who violates this subsection is
6 guilty of a crime, and upon conviction may be imprisoned for not more
7 than five years, fined not more than ten thousand dollars, or both,
8 except as provided for in subsection (e) of this section.

9 (e) Except as provided for in subsection (a)(1)(iii) of this
10 section any person found guilty of possession of forty grams or less of
11 marihuana shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

12 (f) It is unlawful to compensate, threaten, solicit, or in any
13 other manner involve a person under the age of eighteen years in a
14 transaction unlawfully to manufacture, sell, or deliver a controlled
15 substance. A violation of this subsection shall be punished as a class
16 C felony punishable in accordance with RCW 9A.20.021.

17 This section shall not apply to offenses defined and punishable
18 under the provisions of RCW 69.50.410.

19 **Sec. 3.** RCW 69.50.440 and 1996 c 205 s 1 are each amended to read
20 as follows:

21 It is unlawful for any person to possess ephedrine or
22 pseudoephedrine with intent to manufacture methamphetamine. Any person
23 who violates this section is guilty of a crime and may be imprisoned
24 for not more than ten years, fined not more than twenty-five thousand
25 dollars, or both. Three thousand dollars of the fine may not be
26 suspended. Up to three thousand dollars of the fine collected must be
27 deposited with the law enforcement agency having responsibility for
28 cleanup of laboratories, sites, or substances used in the manufacture
29 of the methamphetamine. The fine moneys must be used for such clean-up
30 cost.

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