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**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2533**

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**By** House Committee on Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Representatives Hickel, Sheahan, Cody, Sterk, Smith, Morris and Dellwo)

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1 AN ACT Relating to misdemeanor probation services; and amending  
2 RCW 10.64.120.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 10.64.120 and 1991 c 247 s 3 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 (1) Every judge of a court of limited jurisdiction shall have the  
7 authority to levy upon a person a monthly assessment not to exceed  
8 ((fifty)) one hundred dollars for services provided whenever ((a)) the  
9 person is referred by the court to the misdemeanant probation  
10 department for evaluation or supervision services. The assessment may  
11 also be made by a ((sentencing)) judge in superior court when such  
12 misdemeanor or gross misdemeanor cases are heard in the superior court.

13 (2) For the purposes of this section the office of the  
14 administrator for the courts shall define a probation department and  
15 adopt rules for the qualifications of probation officers based on  
16 occupational and educational requirements developed by an oversight  
17 committee. This oversight committee shall include a representative  
18 from the district and municipal court judges association, the  
19 misdemeanant corrections association, the office of the administrator

1 for the courts, and associations of cities and counties. The oversight  
2 committee shall consider qualifications that provide the training and  
3 education necessary to (a) conduct presentencing and postsentencing  
4 background investigations, including sentencing recommendations to the  
5 court regarding jail terms, alternatives to incarceration, and  
6 conditions of release; and (b) provide ongoing supervision and  
7 assessment of offenders' needs and the risk they pose to the community.

8       (3) It shall be the responsibility of the probation services office  
9 to implement local procedures approved by the court of limited  
10 jurisdiction to ensure collection and payment of such fees into the  
11 general fund of the city or county treasury.

12       ~~((3))~~ (4) Revenues raised under this section shall be used to  
13 fund programs for probation services and shall be in addition to those  
14 funds provided in RCW 3.62.050.

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