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SENATE BILL 6558

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to dissemination of sex offender information; and
- 2 amending RCW 43.43.540.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.43.540 and 1990 c 3 s 403 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
- 6 The county sheriff shall forward the information and fingerprints
- 7 obtained pursuant to RCW 9A.44.130 to the Washington state patrol
- 8 within five working days. The state patrol shall maintain a central
- 9 registry of sex offenders required to register under RCW 9A.44.130 and
- 10 shall adopt rules consistent with chapters 10.97, 10.98, and 43.43 RCW
- 11 as are necessary to carry out the purposes of RCW 9A.44.130, 9A.44.140,
- 12 10.01.200, 43.43.540, 46.20.187, 70.48.470, and 72.09.330. The
- 13 Washington state patrol shall reimburse the counties for the costs of
- 14 processing the sex offender registration, including taking the
- 15 fingerprints and the photographs.
- 16 The state patrol shall maintain a copy of the central registry in
- 17 <u>a form that is accessible to the public electronically through the</u>
- 18 <u>internet or other computer network widely available to the general</u>
- 19 public. The state patrol shall include, at a minimum, the information

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- 1 required by RCW 9A.44.130(2) (a) through (g). The state patrol shall
- 2 maintain the electronic central registry in a form that is searchable
- 3 within specific areas or jurisdictions and, if feasible within
- 4 available funds, shall include a photograph of the sex offender. The
- 5 state patrol shall remove from the electronic central registry
- 6 <u>information about a sex offender at the time the sex offender's duty to</u>
- 7 register under RCW 9A.44.140 expires.

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