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5 On page 2, after line 8 of the amendment, insert the following:

6 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 9.94A RCW  
7 to read as follows:

8 If a person accused of a violation of section 1 or 2 of this act is  
9 acquitted or found not guilty, the accused person is entitled to  
10 reimbursement by the department that employs the accused person for all  
11 reasonable costs, including loss of time at work, legal fees, other  
12 costs of defense, and lost benefits."

13 Renumber the sections consecutively and correct any internal  
14 references accordingly.

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18 On page 13, line 7 of the title amendment, after "RCW;" insert  
19 "adding a new section to chapter 9.94A RCW;"

20 EFFECT: Allows the acquitted employee to be reimbursed by the  
21 state for any costs incurred during criminal proceedings.

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