
HOUSE BILL 1360

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1 AN ACT Relating to private employment for Washington state patrol
2 officers; amending RCW 42.52.160; and adding a new section to chapter
3 43.43 RCW.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 42.52.160 and 1996 c 213 s 7 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 (1) No state officer or state employee may employ or use any
8 person, money, or property under the officer's or employee's official
9 control or direction, or in his or her official custody, for the
10 private benefit or gain of the officer, employee, or another.

11 (2) This section does not prohibit the use of public resources to
12 benefit others as part of a state officer's or state employee's
13 official duties.

14 (3) The appropriate ethics boards may adopt rules providing
15 exceptions to this section for occasional use of the state officer or
16 state employee, of de minimis cost and value, if the activity does not
17 result in interference with the proper performance of public duties.
18 Rules covering private law enforcement employment for Washington state
19 patrol officers shall allow for long-term employment.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 43.43 RCW
2 to read as follows:

3 (1) Washington state patrol officers may engage in off-duty law
4 enforcement employment for private benefit, subject to rules adopted
5 under subsection (2) of this section.

6 (2) The executive ethics board shall adopt rules providing for
7 private employment under subsection (1) of this section.

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