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SENATE BILL 5092

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By Senators Roach, Swecker, Zarelli, Schow, Hochstatter, Bauer, McCaslin, Oke and Long

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- AN ACT Relating to disarming a law enforcement officer; adding new
- 2 sections to chapter 9A.76 RCW; and prescribing penalties.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** (1) A person is guilty of disarming a law 5 enforcement officer if with intent to interfere with the performance of
- 6 the officer's duties the person knowingly removes a firearm or weapon
- 7 from the person of a law enforcement officer or corrections officer or
- 8 deprives a law enforcement officer or corrections officer of the use of
- 9 a firearm or weapon, when the officer is acting within the scope of the
- 10 officer's duties, does not consent to the removal, and the person has
- 11 reasonable cause to know or knows that the individual is a law
- 12 enforcement or corrections officer.
- 13 (2) Disarming a law enforcement or corrections officer is a class
- 14 C felony unless the firearm involved is discharged when the person
- 15 removes the firearm, in which case the offense is a class B felony.
- 16 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** A person who commits another crime during
- 17 the commission of the crime of disarming a law enforcement or
- 18 corrections officer may be punished for the other crime as well as for

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- 1 disarming a law enforcement officer and may be prosecuted separately
- 2 for each crime.
- 3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** Sections 1 and 2 of this act do not apply
- 4 when the law enforcement officer or corrections officer is engaged in
- 5 felonious conduct.
- 6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 4.** Sections 1 through 3 of this act are added
- 7 to chapter 9A.76 RCW.

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