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Brief Title: Authorizing deductions from inmate funds.

HB 1143-S2.E - DIGEST

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Provides that an inmate may, prior to the completion of the fee-based education or vocational program authorized under RCW 72.09.480, apply to a person designated by the secretary for permission to make a change in his or her program.

Declares that the deductions required under RCW 72.09.480 shall not apply to any money received by the department, on behalf of an inmate, from family or other outside sources for the payment of postage expenses. Money received under this provision may only be used for the payment of postage expenses and may not be transferred to any other account or purpose.

Provides that, when an inmate sentenced to life imprisonment without possibility of release or parole, or to death under chapter 10.95 RCW, receives any funds in addition to his or her gratuities, the additional funds shall be subject to: Deductions of five percent to the public safety and education account for the purpose of crime victims' compensation and twenty percent to the department to contribute to the cost of incarceration.

Provides that a governing unit may require that each person who is booked at a city, county, or regional jail pay a fee of ten dollars to the sheriff's department of the county or police chief of the city in which the jail is located.

Directs the secretary of corrections to prepare a plan for depositing inmate savings account funds into an interest bearing account.