

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## SB 6370

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As Reported By Senate Committee On:  
Human Services & Corrections, January 25, 2002

**Title:** An act relating to assessments for the prostitution prevention and intervention account.

**Brief Description:** Imposing an additional assessment for persons entering diversion agreements in regard to prostitution offenses.

**Sponsors:** Senators Kohl-Welles, Hargrove and Long.

**Brief History:**

**Committee Activity:** Human Services & Corrections: 1/25/02 [DP].

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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES & CORRECTIONS

**Majority Report:** Do pass.

Signed by Senators Hargrove, Chair; Costa, Vice Chair; Carlson, Franklin, Hewitt, Kastama, Kohl-Welles, Long and Stevens.

**Staff:** Tony Rugel (786-7754)

**Background:** Often offenders who are convicted or plead guilty to buying sexual services from a prostitute are given a fine but are not incarcerated. Prostitutes, on the other hand, often do brief jail time. In addition, if an offender enters into a diversion agreement for a prostitution charge, there is no assessment of the usual diversion fee that is associated with other crimes.

**Summary of Bill:** The opportunity for equal treatment is given by creating a graduated fee schedule from \$50 to \$300 for offenders who enter into diversion agreements for crimes related to indecent exposure and prostitution.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Requested on January 22, 2002.

**Effective Date:** Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

**Testimony For:** None.

**Testimony Against:** None.

**Testified:** No one.