
HOUSE BILL 2379

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By Representatives Dickerson, O'Brien, Tokuda, Veloria, Darneille, Chase, Kirby and Lovick

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1 AN ACT Relating to leaving a child with a sex offender; adding a
2 new section to chapter 9A.42 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 9A.42 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) A person is guilty of the crime of criminal mistreatment in the
7 fourth degree if the person is (a) the parent of a child; (b) entrusted
8 with the physical custody of a child; or (c) employed to provide to the
9 child the basic necessities of life, and leaves the child with another
10 person who is not a parent, guardian, or lawful custodian of the child,
11 knowing that the person is registered or required to register as a sex
12 offender under the laws of this state, or a law or ordinance in another
13 jurisdiction with similar requirements, because of a sex offense
14 against a child.

15 (2) Criminal mistreatment in the fourth degree is a misdemeanor.

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