
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6404

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By Senate Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Senators Jacobsen and Costa)

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1 AN ACT Relating to duties of the sheriff; creating new sections;
2 and providing an expiration date.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** District court judges and district court
5 personnel have expressed concern regarding their safety and public
6 safety given the potential for violence during district court sessions.
7 Under current law, county sheriffs have a duty to provide security for
8 courts of record. The issue of parity for district court security is
9 a critical concern for the judiciary and should be the subject of a
10 comprehensive study so the legislature will have additional
11 information.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** (1) A task force on district court security
13 is created to study security issues in district courts. The task force
14 shall consist of at least one judge, but not more than three judges,
15 from the district and municipal court judges association, at least one
16 representative, but not more than three representatives, from the
17 Washington state association of counties, and at least one

1 representative, but not more than three representatives, from the
2 Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs.

3 (2) The task force must report the results of its study and any
4 proposed legislation to the legislature by January 1, 2003.

5 (3) This section expires January 2, 2003.

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