
HOUSE BILL 1629

State of Washington

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By Representative Caldier

Read first time 01/27/25. Referred to Committee on Community Safety.

1 AN ACT Relating to restrictions on the placement of inmates of
2 different biological sexes in correctional facilities; and adding a
3 new section to chapter 72.09 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 72.09
6 RCW to read as follows:

7 An inmate being housed in a correctional facility shall not be
8 assigned to share a room or cell with any other person of a different
9 biological sex than that of the inmate if the inmate has a history of
10 sexual or physical violence against a victim whose biological sex is
11 the same as the other person assigned to the room or cell.

12 For purposes of this section, "a history of sexual or physical
13 violence" means one or more current charges or prior convictions for
14 a sex offense, violent offense, or an offense that constitutes
15 domestic violence as those terms are defined in RCW 9.94A.030.

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