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**Criminal Justice & Corrections  
Committee**

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**HB 1232**

**Brief Description:** Clarifying the ability of Washington state patrol officers to engage in private law enforcement off-duty employment in plainclothes for private benefit.

**Sponsors:** Representatives O'Brien, Pearson, Morrell, Lantz, Lovick, Wood, McCune, Wallace and Condotta.

**Brief Summary of Bill**

- Extends the permission for the WSP officers to engage in private law enforcement off-duty employment for private benefit while in uniform to such employment while in plainclothes.

**Hearing Date:** 2/1/05

**Staff:** Kathryn Leathers

**Background:**

The Washington State Patrol (WSP) officers may engage in private law enforcement off-duty employment in uniform for private benefit, subject to guidelines adopted by the chief of the WSP.

**Summary of Bill:**

The WSP officers continue to have permission to engage in private law enforcement off-duty employment in uniform for private benefit, and are now expressly granted permission to engage in similar employment while in plainclothes. Whether in uniform or in plainclothes, this activity continues to be subject to guidelines adopted by the chief of the WSP.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Available.

**Effective Date:** The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.