

2 **2SSB 5882** - H COMM AMD **ADOPTED 4-19-91**

3 By Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance

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5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
6 following:

7 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that drug asset
8 forfeiture and criminal profiteering laws allow law enforcement
9 officials and the courts to strip drug dealers and other successful
10 criminals of the wealth they have acquired from their crimes and the
11 assets they have used to facilitate those crimes. These laws are
12 rarely used by prosecutors, however, because of the difficulty in
13 identifying profiteering and the assets that criminals may have as a
14 result of their crimes. It is the intent of the legislature to provide
15 assistance to local law enforcement officials and state agencies to
16 seize the assets of criminals and the proceeds of their profiteering."

17 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 43.10 RCW
18 to read as follows:

19 The attorney general shall: (1) Assist local law enforcement
20 officials in the development of cases arising under the criminal
21 profiteering laws with special emphasis on narcotics related cases; (2)
22 assist local prosecutors in the litigation of criminal profiteering or
23 drug asset forfeiture cases, or, at the request of a prosecutor's
24 office, litigate such cases on its behalf; and (3) conduct seminars and
25 training sessions on prosecution of criminal profiteering cases and
26 drug asset forfeiture cases."

1 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 43.10 RCW
2 to read as follows:

3 All assets recovered pursuant to section 2 of this act shall be
4 distributed in the following manner: (1) For drug asset forfeitures,
5 pursuant to the provisions of RCW 69.50.505; and (2) for criminal
6 profiteering cases, pursuant to the provisions of RCW 9A.82.100."

7 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** If specific funding for the purposes of
8 this act, referencing this act by bill number, is not provided by June
9 30, 1991, in the omnibus appropriations act, this act shall be null and
10 void."

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14 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "criminals;" strike the
15 remainder of the title and insert "adding new sections to chapter 43.10
16 RCW; and creating new sections."