5180-S

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Senators Costa, McCaslin, Haugen, Sheahan, Roach, Rasmussen and Kline; by request of Criminal Justice Training Commission)

Brief Description: Modifying provisions pertaining to the certification of peace officers.

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(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that, as a condition of continuing employment as peace officers, all Washington peace officers: (1) Shall timely obtain certification as peace officers, or timely obtain certification for exemption therefrom, by meeting all requirements of RCW 43.101.200, as that section is administered under the rules of the commission, as well by meeting any additional requirements under this chapter; and (2) shall maintain the basic certification as peace officers under chapter 43.101 RCW.

Directs the commission to certify peace officers who have satisfied, or have been exempted by statute or by rule from, the basic training requirements of RCW 43.101.200 on or before the effective date of this section. Thereafter, the commission may revoke certification pursuant to this chapter.

Provides that the commission shall allow a peace officer to retain status as a certified peace officer as long as the officer: (1) Timely meets the basic law enforcement training requirements, or is exempted therefrom, in whole or in part, under RCW 43.101.200 or under rule of the commission; (2) meets or is exempted from any other requirements under this chapter as administered under the rules adopted by the commission; (3) is not denied certification by the commission under this chapter; and (4) has not had certification revoked by the commission.