

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5139

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President of the Senate

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**Speaker of the House of
Representatives**

Approved

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Sarah Bannister, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5139** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

Secretary

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**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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By Senate Human Services (originally sponsored by Senators C. Wilson, Frame, Hasegawa, and Nobles; by request of Department of Commerce)

READ FIRST TIME 01/30/25.

1 AN ACT Relating to reentry council; and amending RCW 43.380.030,
2 43.380.060, and 43.380.070.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.380.030 and 2016 c 188 s 4 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) The council comprises (~~(fifteen)~~) 22 members appointed by the
7 governor.

8 (2) The governor must create a membership that includes:

9 (a)(i) Representatives of: The department of corrections; the
10 health care authority; the department of social and health services;
11 the employment security department; the juvenile rehabilitation
12 administration; a statewide organization representing community and
13 technical colleges; a statewide organization representing law
14 enforcement interests; a statewide organization representing the
15 interests of crime victims; a statewide organization representing
16 prosecutors; a statewide organization representing public defenders;
17 a statewide or local organization representing businesses and
18 employers; housing providers; and faith-based organizations or
19 communities;

20 (ii) At least two persons with experience reentering the
21 community after incarceration; (~~(and)~~)

1 (iii) Two other community leaders;

2 (iv) Two community members who are currently incarcerated, one of
3 whom must be incarcerated in a men's correctional facility and one
4 who must be incarcerated in a women's correctional facility; and

5 (v) Two persons who are either a survivor or victim of a crime as
6 defined in RCW 7.69.020, one of whom does not identify as female, and
7 one who does not identify as male.

8 (b) At least one position of the council must be reserved for an
9 invited person with a background in tribal affairs, and such position
10 has all of the same voting and other powers of other members.

11 (3) When making appointments, the governor shall consider:

12 (a) The racial and ethnic background of applicants in order for
13 the membership to reflect the diversity of racial and ethnic
14 backgrounds of all those who are incarcerated in the state;

15 (b) The gender of applicants in order for the membership to
16 reflect the gender diversity of all those who are incarcerated in the
17 state;

18 (c) The geographic location of all applicants in order for the
19 membership to represent the different geographic regions of the
20 state; and

21 (d) The experiences and background of all applicants relating to
22 the incarcerated population.

23 **Sec. 2.** RCW 43.380.060 and 2016 c 188 s 7 are each amended to
24 read as follows:

25 The members of the council (~~(shall serve without)~~) may receive
26 compensation as provided in RCW 43.03.220 and 43.03.270, (~~but~~) and
27 are entitled to be reimbursed for travel expenses as provided in RCW
28 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

29 **Sec. 3.** RCW 43.380.070 and 2016 c 188 s 8 are each amended to
30 read as follows:

31 (1) Meetings of the council must be held in accordance with the
32 open public meetings act, chapter 42.30 RCW, and at the call of the
33 cochairs or when a majority of the council membership so requests.
34 Members may participate in a meeting of the council by means of a
35 conference telephone or similar communication equipment as described
36 in RCW 23B.08.200, provided that any member who is currently
37 incarcerated may only attend and participate in council meetings

1 virtually, unless the meeting is held at the correctional facility
2 where the member is incarcerated.

3 (2) (~~Seven~~) Twelve members of the council constitute a quorum.

4 (3) Once operational, the council must convene on a regular
5 schedule at least four times during each year.

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