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By Representatives Costa, Ballasiotes, Lambert, Hatfield, Regala, Dickerson, Sheldon, Cody, Conway, Kessler, Radcliff, Hymes, Valle, Robertson, Quall, Appelwick, Morris, Mitchell, Thompson, Mason, Chopp, Cooke and Murray

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1 AN ACT Relating to the membership of the sentencing guidelines  
2 commission; and amending RCW 9.94A.060.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 9.94A.060 and 1993 c 11 s 1 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 (1) The commission consists of (~~sixteen~~) seventeen voting  
7 members, one of whom the governor shall designate as chairperson. With  
8 the exception of ex officio voting members, the voting members of the  
9 commission shall be appointed by the governor, subject to confirmation  
10 by the senate.

11 (2) The voting membership consists of the following:

12 (a) The head of the state agency having general responsibility for  
13 adult correction programs, as an ex officio member;

14 (b) The director of financial management or designee, as an ex  
15 officio member;

16 (c) Until June 30, 1998, the chair of the indeterminate sentence  
17 review board, as an ex officio member;

18 (d) The chair of the clemency and pardons board, as an ex officio  
19 member;

- 1 (e) Two prosecuting attorneys;
- 2 (f) Two attorneys with particular expertise in defense work;
- 3 (g) Four persons who are superior court judges;
- 4 (h) One person who is the chief law enforcement officer of a county
- 5 or city;
- 6 (i) Three members of the public who are not and have never been
- 7 prosecutors, attorneys, judges, or law enforcement officers;
- 8 (j) A crime victim or crime victims' advocate.

9 In making the appointments, the governor shall seek the recommendations

10 of Washington prosecutors in respect to the prosecuting attorney

11 members, of the Washington state bar association in respect to the

12 attorney members, of the association of superior court judges in

13 respect to the members who are judges, and of the Washington

14 association of sheriffs and police chiefs in respect to the member who

15 is a law enforcement officer.

16 (3) All voting members of the commission, except ex officio voting

17 members, shall serve terms of three years and until their successors

18 are appointed and confirmed. However, the governor shall stagger the

19 terms by appointing four of the initial members for terms of one year,

20 four for terms of two years, and four for terms of three years.

21 (4) The speaker of the house of representatives and the president

22 of the senate may each appoint two nonvoting members to the commission,

23 one from each of the two largest caucuses in each house. The members

24 so appointed shall serve two-year terms, or until they cease to be

25 members of the house from which they were appointed, whichever occurs

26 first.

27 (5) The members of the commission shall be reimbursed for travel

28 expenses as provided in RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060. Legislative

29 members shall be reimbursed by their respective houses as provided

30 under RCW 44.04.120(~~(, as now existing or hereafter amended)~~). Members

31 shall be compensated in accordance with RCW 43.03.250.

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