
SENATE BILL 6687

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1 AN ACT Relating to study of class II tax reduction industries;
2 creating a new section; and providing an expiration date.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The legislature finds that offering
5 inmates meaningful work and vocational training opportunities through
6 the correctional industries program must not be done without due regard
7 to the program's costs to the taxpayers of the state. The legislature
8 intends that all class II industries be established and operated in a
9 manner that will reduce the tax burden of corrections and save
10 taxpayers money through the cost-efficient production of goods and
11 services for sale and use.

12 (2) The legislative budget committee shall perform a study of class
13 II -- tax reduction industries operated by the department of
14 corrections. This study shall include, but not be limited to, an
15 evaluation of the extent to which class II industries manage costs and
16 are self-supporting; the adequacy of marketing efforts; and the extent
17 of utilization and training of inmates. As appropriate, the study
18 shall make recommendations for improving the profitability of class II
19 industries and for utilization of more inmates in class II jobs. The

1 legislative budget committee shall make a report of its findings to the
2 legislature by January 1, 1997.
3 (3) This section expires July 1, 1997.

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