

6337-S

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections  
(originally sponsored by Senators Hargrove, Long, Sheahan, Costa,  
Winsley and Oke; by request of Department of Corrections)

Brief Description: Creating a criminal intelligence unit and  
authorizing special deputies within the department of corrections.

**SB 6337-S - DIGEST**

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Finds that there is a need for the department of corrections to strengthen its role with regard to persons who commit offenses and violations. Therefore, the legislature grants the secretary the authority to commission a limited number of employees of the department the right to share criminal intelligence information with law enforcement or to have limited arrest and detention authority.

Declares that persons appointed as special deputies under RCW 72.09.050 shall be limited in their authority as special deputies to arrest and detention of individuals in state correctional facilities, as defined in RCW 9.94.049.

Provides that, immediately following an arrest and detention the superintendent, or his or her designee, shall:

(1) Notify the sheriff or police chief in the jurisdiction in which the state correctional facility is located that a person has been arrested and the nature of the offense for which the person was arrested; and

(2) request the sheriff or police chief to take custody of the arrested person, unless that person is presently an offender confined at the state correctional facility.

Creates in the department a criminal intelligence unit.