
HOUSE BILL 1837

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By Representatives Hope, Goodman, Roberts, Hayes, Appleton, and Ryu;
by request of Department of Social and Health Services

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1 AN ACT Relating to allowing residents of total confinement
2 facilities and secure community transition facilities to engage in
3 therapeutic occupational assignments within the confines of McNeil
4 Island; and adding a new section to chapter 71.09 RCW.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 71.09 RCW
7 to read as follows:

8 (1) The secretary or secretary's designee may designate residents
9 of the total confinement facility who may participate in therapeutic
10 occupational assignments outside the secure perimeter of the total
11 confinement facility but within the confines of McNeil Island. The
12 secretary or secretary's designee shall impose such conditions upon the
13 resident as are necessary to ensure the safety of the community.

14 (2) The secretary or secretary's designee may designate residents
15 of a secure community transition facility who may participate in
16 therapeutic occupational assignments outside the secure perimeter of
17 the secure community transition facility but within the confines of
18 McNeil Island. The secretary or secretary's designee shall impose such

1 conditions upon the resident as are necessary to ensure the safety of
2 the community.

3 (3) For total confinement facility residents allowed to engage in
4 therapeutic occupational assignments outside of the perimeter of the
5 total confinement facility but who remain on McNeil Island the
6 secretary or secretary's designee shall determine the appropriate
7 direct staffing ratio necessary to ensure the safety of the community.

8 (4) For secure community transition facility residents allowed to
9 engage in therapeutic occupational assignments outside of the perimeter
10 of the secure community transition facility but within the confines of
11 McNeil Island the secretary or secretary's designee shall determine the
12 appropriate direct staffing ratio necessary to ensure the safety of the
13 community.

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