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**SENATE BILL 6459**

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**By** Senators Rivers, Takko, Litzow, Ranker, Ericksen, Benton, and Pearson

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1            AN ACT Relating to peace officers; and adding a new section to  
2 chapter 9.94A RCW.

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

4            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.**    A new section is added to chapter 9.94A  
5 RCW to read as follows:

6            (1) Any peace officer has authority to assist the department with  
7 the supervisions of offenders.

8            (2) If a peace officer has reasonable cause to believe an  
9 offender is in violation of the terms of supervision, the peace  
10 officer may conduct a search as provided under RCW 9.94A.631, of the  
11 offender's person, automobile, or other personal property to search  
12 for evidence of the violation. A peace officer may assist a community  
13 corrections officer with a search of the offender's residence if  
14 requested to do so by the community corrections officer.

15            (3) Nothing in this section prevents a peace officer from  
16 arresting an offender for any new crime found as a result of the  
17 offender's arrest or search authorized by this section.

18            (4) Upon substantiation of a violation of the offender's  
19 conditions of community supervision, utilizing existing methods and  
20 systems, the peace officer should notify the department of the  
21 violation.

1           (5) For the purposes of this section, "peace officer" refers to a  
2 limited or general authority Washington peace officer as defined in  
3 RCW 10.93.020.

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