

## SB 5051/HB 1082: Proposed Amendments

The Washington Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (WACDL) and the Washington Defender Association (WDA) have concerns with Senate Bill 5051 as written, and respectfully propose the amendments below. The intent of our proposal is to specify the categories of individuals eligible to be commissioners on the Criminal Justice Training Commission, ensuring meaningful community representation.

On page 6, line 20, after “defender”, insert “who is not and has never been a peace officer or prosecutor in any jurisdiction.”

On page 6, beginning on line 22, after “government” strike all material through “jurisdiction” on line 24 and insert “who is not and has never been a peace officer or prosecutor in any jurisdiction.”

On page 6, line 26, after “agencies” insert “who is not and has never been a peace officer or prosecutor in any jurisdiction.”

On page 6, line 31, after “communities” insert “All five private persons are not and have never been a peace officer or prosecutor in any jurisdiction. The five private persons must include at least one formerly incarcerated person, at least one criminal defense attorney, at least one credentialed mental health expert, and at least one impacted family member of the victims of police violence.”

On page 6, beginning on line 37, after “RCW 43.101.157” strike all material through “jurisdiction” on line 38 and insert “who is not and has never been a peace officer or prosecutor in any jurisdiction.”

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