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As a lawful citizen, I have concerns about the WSBA proposal. I believe it could result in catastrophic fiscal and practice impacts on the criminal justice system, jeopardizing protection for the public, the ability to vindicate the rights of victims, and society's protection from falling apart. This is being done with reckless disregard for the potential outcome, which is, frankly, the collapse of the criminal justice system if this moves forward. As law-abiding Americans, we will not accept the excuse that prosecuting criminals doesn't reduce crime if there is no evidence to suggest that arresting and prosecuting for property crimes deters criminals from committing offenses. Therefore, we believe it is abundantly clear that an incentive exists for criminals to continue breaking the law. We believe that providing "cash transfers" to criminals would encourage crime in the same way a dog is trained with treats, or a child is rewarded with candy. If this proposal is adopted, although we understand the good intentions behind it, we believe that limiting the number of prosecutions in the state will ultimately lead to a lack of accountability. Accountability is the foundation of the entire criminal justice system, in our view. A more reasonable solution would be to allocate money towards bringing more prosecutors to WA state, improving their availability, rather than towards criminals.