

RCW 10.77.630 Competency to stand trial—Continuation of competency process, dismissal of charges—Exceptions. (1) If the issue of competency to stand trial is raised by the court or a party under *RCW 10.77.400, the prosecutor may continue with the competency process or dismiss the charges without prejudice and refer the defendant for assessment by a mental health professional, substance use disorder professional, co-occurring disorder specialist, or developmental disabilities professional to determine the appropriate service needs for the defendant.

(2) This section does not apply to defendants with a current charge or prior conviction for a violent offense or sex offense as defined in RCW 9.94A.030, or a violation of RCW 9A.36.031(1) (d), (f), or (h). [2019 c 444 s 8; 2015 1st sp.s. c 7 s 9. Formerly RCW 10.77.079.]

***Reviser's note:** This RCW reference has been corrected to reflect the reorganization of chapter 10.77 RCW by 2025 c 358 s 2.

Finding—2015 1st sp.s. c 7: See note following RCW 10.77.620.

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