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1 AN ACT Relating to parent and child health services provided by the
2 department of health; amending RCW 43.70.080 and 43.70.010; and adding
3 a new section to chapter 43.70 RCW.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.70.080 and 1989 1st ex.s. c 9 s 201 are each
6 amended to read as follows:

7 The powers and duties of the department of social and health
8 services and the secretary of social and health services under the
9 following statutes are hereby transferred to the department of health
10 and the secretary of health: Chapters 16.70, 18.20, 18.46, 18.71,
11 18.73, 18.76, 69.30, 70.28, 70.30, 70.32, 70.33, 70.50, 70.58, 70.62,
12 70.83, 70.83B, 70.90, 70.98, 70.104, 70.116, 70.118, 70.119, 70.119A,
13 70.121, 70.127, 70.142, and 80.50 RCW. More specifically, the
14 following programs and services presently administered by the
15 department of social and health services are hereby transferred to the
16 department of health:

17 (1) Personal health and protection programs and related management
18 and support services, including, but not limited to: Immunizations;
19 tuberculosis; sexually transmitted diseases; AIDS; diabetes control;

1 primary health care; cardiovascular risk reduction; kidney disease;
2 regional genetic services; newborn metabolic screening; sentinel birth
3 defects; cytogenetics; communicable disease epidemiology; and chronic
4 disease epidemiology;

5 (2) Environmental health protection services and related management
6 and support services, including, but not limited to: Radiation,
7 including X-ray control, radioactive materials, uranium mills, low-
8 level waste, emergency response and reactor safety, and environmental
9 radiation protection; drinking water; toxic substances; on-site sewage;
10 recreational water contact facilities; food services sanitation;
11 shellfish; and general environmental health services, including
12 schools, vectors, parks, and camps;

13 (3) Public health laboratory;

14 (4) Public health support services, including, but not limited to:
15 Vital records; health data; local public health services support; and
16 health education and information;

17 (5) Licensing and certification services including, but not limited
18 to: Health and personal care facility survey, construction review,
19 emergency medical services, laboratory quality assurance, and
20 accommodations surveys; and

21 (6) Effective January 1, 1991, parent and child health services and
22 related management support services, including, but not limited to:
23 Maternal and infant health; child health; parental health; nutrition;
24 handicapped children's services; family planning including screening,
25 testing, and treatment of sexually transmitted diseases; adolescent
26 pregnancy services; high priority infant tracking; early intervention;
27 parenting education; prenatal regionalization; and power and duties
28 under RCW 43.20A.635. The director of the office of financial
29 management may recommend to the legislature a delay in this transfer,
30 if it is determined that this time frame is not adequate.

31 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 43.70 RCW
32 to read as follows:

33 (1) In order to promote healthy birth outcomes and reduce the
34 number of unintended pregnancies, Washington state reaffirms its
35 commitment to encourage health plan coverage of family planning as an
36 essential component of the health care system and to provide public

1 health funding for preventive family planning services for women and
2 men with family incomes up to two hundred percent of the federal
3 poverty level.

4 (2) Within funds appropriated specifically for this purpose, the
5 department of health shall provide, through its contracted local family
6 planning agencies, family planning services to women and men in
7 accordance with eligibility requirements established by the department.
8 Funds appropriated to the department for this purpose shall be used to
9 provide family planning services to men and women not otherwise
10 eligible for family planning services under the medicaid program
11 administered under chapter 74.09 RCW, and for family planning services
12 not otherwise covered by the medicaid program under chapter 74.09 RCW.

13 **Sec. 3.** RCW 43.70.010 and 1995 c 269 s 2201 are each amended to
14 read as follows:

15 As used in this chapter, unless the context indicates otherwise:

16 (1) "Assessment" means the regular collection, analysis, and
17 sharing of information about health conditions, risks, and resources in
18 a community. Assessment activities identify trends in illness, injury,
19 and death and the factors that may cause these events. They also
20 identify environmental risk factors, community concerns, community
21 health resources, and the use of health services. Assessment includes
22 gathering statistical data as well as conducting epidemiologic and
23 other investigations and evaluations of health emergencies and specific
24 ongoing health problems;

25 (2) "Board" means the state board of health;

26 (3) "Department" means the department of health;

27 (4) "Family planning services" means the provision of effective
28 risk reduction education and counseling; preventive medical exams and
29 testing; screening, testing, and treatment of sexually transmitted
30 diseases; cancer screening; contraceptive supplies and devices; and
31 sterilization counseling and services;

32 (5) "Policy development" means the establishment of social norms,
33 organizational guidelines, operational procedures, rules, ordinances,
34 or statutes that promote health or prevent injury, illness, or death;
35 and

1 (~~(5)~~) (6) "Secretary" means the secretary of health.

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