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SENATE BILL 5776

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By Senators McAuliffe, Kauffman, Franklin, Fairley, Murray, Kohl-Welles, Delvin, Keiser, Kilmer, Jacobsen, Tom, Rockefeller, Kline, Rasmussen and Shin

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to foster care benefits; and adding a new section
- 2 to chapter 74.13 RCW.

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- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 74.13 RCW 5 to read as follows:
 - Prior adequate written notice shall be given to the child, child's representative, and caregiver before denying, reducing, or terminating
- 8 foster care benefits; and if requested by the child, child's
- 9 representative, or caregiver, an administrative fair hearing shall be
- 10 granted before such reductions may be implemented. The hearing will be
- 11 no different than those involved in appealing medicaid, temporary
- 12 assistance for needy families, or other benefits issues in that it
- 13 shall be before an administrative law judge.

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