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By House Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Representatives Linville and Ericks; by request of Office of Financial Management)

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- AN ACT Relating to eliminating or reducing the frequency of reports 1 2 prepared by state agencies; amending RCW 19.146.280, 43.320.1401, 43.88.110, 13.60.110, 74.13.031, 74.13.036, 74.08A.130, 70.56.040, 3 43.70.690, 77.85.140, 43.320.100, 39.102.140, 43.336.060, 43.365.040, 4 43.330.082, 43.155.070, 43.185C.040, 43.63A.068, 39.86.190, 43.325.050, 5 43.79.460, 18.130.310, and 43.20.100; repealing 6 RCW 7 46.48.180, 43.44.100, 74.14C.080, 80.36.475, 74.08A.430, 70.114A.085, 43.70.518, 43.215.080, 43.215.435, and 79A.15.100; adding a new section 8 to chapter 43.01 RCW; and providing expiration dates. 9
- 10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 11 REPORTS ELIMINATED
- 12 **Sec. 1.** RCW 19.146.280 and 2006 c 19 s 17 are each amended to read 13 as follows:
- 14 (1) There is established the mortgage broker commission consisting 15 of seven commission members who shall act in an advisory capacity to 16 the director on mortgage broker issues.
- 17 (2) The director shall appoint the members of the commission, 18 weighing the recommendations from professional organizations

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representing mortgage brokers and loan originators. At least three of the commission members shall be mortgage brokers licensed under this chapter, at least one shall be exempt from licensure under RCW 19.146.020(1)(g), and at least two of the commission members shall be licensed loan originators under this chapter. No commission member shall be appointed who has had less than five years' experience in the 7 business of residential mortgage lending. In addition, the director or a designee shall serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the commission. Voting members of the commission shall serve for two-year terms. The department shall provide staff support to the commission.

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- (3) The commission may establish a code of conduct for its members. Any commissioner may bring a motion before the commission to remove a commissioner for failing to conduct themselves in a manner consistent with the code of conduct. The motion shall be in the form of a recommendation to the director to dismiss a specific commissioner and shall enumerate causes for doing so. The commissioner in question shall recuse himself or herself from voting on any such motion. such motion must be approved unanimously by the remaining six commissioners. Approved motions shall be immediately transmitted to the director for review and action.
- (4) Members of the commission shall be reimbursed for their travel expenses incurred in carrying out the provisions of this chapter in accordance with RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060. All costs and expenses associated with the commission shall be paid from the financial services regulation fund, unless the consumer services account is created as a dedicated, nonappropriated account, in which case all costs and expenses shall be paid from the consumer services account.
- (5) The commission shall advise the director on the characteristics and needs of the mortgage broker profession.
- (6) The department, in consultation with other applicable agencies of state government, shall conduct a continuing review of the number and type of consumer complaints arising from residential mortgage lending in the state. ((The department shall report its findings to the-senate-committee-on-financial-institutions-and-house-ofrepresentatives committee on financial institutions and insurance along with recommendations for any changes in the licensing requirements of this chapter, biennially by December 1st of each even-numbered year.))

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- **Sec. 2.** RCW 43.320.1401 and 2006 c 21 s 3 are each amended to read 2 as follows:
 - (1) Before December 31st of every year, the department of financial institutions shall provide the senate and house of representatives committees that address matters related to financial institutions with a written report outlining the activity of the mortgage lending fraud prosecution account.
 - (2) This section expires June 30, ((2011)) 2009.

Sec. 3. RCW 43.88.110 and 2003 c 206 s 1 are each amended to read 10 as follows:

This section sets forth the expenditure programs and the allotment and reserve procedures to be followed by the executive branch for public funds.

- 14 (1) Allotments of an appropriation for any fiscal period shall conform to the terms, limits, or conditions of the appropriation.
 - (2) The director of financial management shall provide all agencies with a complete set of operating and capital instructions for preparing a statement of proposed expenditures at least thirty days before the beginning of a fiscal period. The set of instructions need not include specific appropriation amounts for the agency.
 - (3) Within forty-five days after the beginning of the fiscal period or within forty-five days after the governor signs the omnibus biennial appropriations act, whichever is later, all agencies shall submit to the governor a statement of proposed expenditures at such times and in such form as may be required by the governor.
 - (4) The office of financial management shall develop a method for monitoring capital appropriations and expenditures that will capture at least the following elements:
- 29 (a) Appropriations made for capital projects including 30 transportation projects;
- 31 (b) Estimates of total project costs including past, current, 32 ensuing, and future biennial costs;
 - (c) Comparisons of actual costs to estimated costs;
- 34 (d) Comparisons of estimated construction start and completion 35 dates with actual dates;
 - (e) Documentation of fund shifts between projects.

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This data may be incorporated into the existing accounting system or into a separate project management system, as deemed appropriate by the office of financial management.

- (5) ((The-office-of-financial-management-shall-publish-agency annual maintenance summary reports beginning in October 1997. State agencies shall submit a separate report for each major campus or site, as defined by the office of financial management. Reports shall be prepared in a format prescribed by the office of financial management and shall include, but not be limited to: Information describing the number, size, and condition of state owned facilities; facility maintenance, repair, and operating expenses paid from the state operating and capital budgets, including maintenance staffing levels; the condition of major infrastructure systems; and maintenance management initiatives undertaken by the agency over the prior year. Agencies shall submit their annual maintenance summary reports to the office of financial management by September 1 each year.
- (6))) The office of financial management, prior to approving allotments for major capital construction projects valued over five million dollars, shall institute procedures for reviewing such projects at the predesign stage that will reduce long-term costs and increase facility efficiency. The procedures shall include, but not be limited to, the following elements:
- (a) Evaluation of facility program requirements and consistency with long-range plans;
- (b) Utilization of a system of cost, quality, and performance standards to compare major capital construction projects; and
- (c) A requirement to incorporate value-engineering analysis and constructability review into the project schedule.
- (((7))) (6) No expenditure may be incurred or obligation entered into for such major capital construction projects including, without exception, land acquisition, site development, predesign, design, construction, and equipment acquisition and installation, until the allotment of the funds to be expended has been approved by the office of financial management. This limitation does not prohibit the continuation of expenditures and obligations into the succeeding biennium for projects for which allotments have been approved in the immediate prior biennium.

(((8))) (7) If at any time during the fiscal period the governor projects a cash deficit in a particular fund or account as defined by RCW 43.88.050, the governor shall make across-the-board reductions in allotments for that particular fund or account so as to prevent a cash deficit, unless the legislature has directed the liquidation of the cash deficit over one or more fiscal periods. Except for the legislative and judicial branches and other agencies headed by elective officials, the governor shall review the statement of proposed operating expenditures for reasonableness and conformance legislative intent. The governor may request corrections of proposed allotments submitted by the legislative and judicial branches and agencies headed by elective officials if those proposed allotments contain significant technical errors. Once the governor approves the proposed allotments, further revisions may at the request of the office of financial management or upon the agency's initiative be made on a quarterly basis and must be accompanied by an explanation of the reasons for significant changes. However, changes in appropriation level authorized by the legislature, changes required by across-theboard reductions mandated by the governor, changes caused by executive increases to spending authority, and changes caused by executive decreases to spending authority for failure to comply with the provisions of chapter 36.70A RCW may require additional revisions. Revisions shall not be made retroactively. However, the governor may assign to a reserve status any portion of an agency appropriation withheld as part of across-the-board reductions made by the governor and any portion of an agency appropriation conditioned on a contingent event by the appropriations act. The governor may remove these amounts from reserve status if the across-the-board reductions are subsequently modified or if the contingent event occurs. The director of financial management shall enter approved statements of proposed expenditures into the state budgeting, accounting, and reporting system within forty-five days after receipt of the proposed statements from the agencies. If an agency or the director of financial management is unable to meet these requirements, the director of financial management shall provide a timely explanation in writing to the legislative fiscal committees.

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 $((\frac{9}{}))$ (8) It is expressly provided that all agencies shall be required to maintain accounting records and to report thereon in the

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- 1 manner prescribed in this chapter and under the regulations issued
- 2 pursuant to this chapter. Within ninety days of the end of the fiscal
- 3 year, all agencies shall submit to the director of financial management
- 4 their final adjustments to close their books for the fiscal year.
- 5 Prior to submitting fiscal data, written or oral, to committees of the
- 6 legislature, it is the responsibility of the agency submitting the data
- 7 to reconcile it with the budget and accounting data reported by the
- 8 agency to the director of financial management.
- 9 $((\frac{10}{10}))$ The director of financial management may exempt
- 10 certain public funds from the allotment controls established under this
- 11 chapter if it is not practical or necessary to allot the funds.
- 12 Allotment control exemptions expire at the end of the fiscal biennium
- 13 for which they are granted. The director of financial management shall
- 14 report any exemptions granted under this subsection to the legislative
- 15 fiscal committees.
- 16 **Sec. 4.** RCW 13.60.110 and 1999 c 168 s 2 are each amended to read 17 as follows:
- 18 (1) A task force on missing and exploited children is established
- 19 in the Washington state patrol. The task force shall be under the
- 20 direction of the chief of the state patrol.
- 21 (2) The task force is authorized to assist law enforcement
- 22 agencies, upon request, in cases involving missing or exploited
- 23 children by:

- 24 (a) Direct assistance and case management;
- 25 (b) Technical assistance;
- 26 (c) Personnel training;
- 27 (d) Referral for assistance from local, state, national, and
- 28 international agencies; and
- 29 (e) Coordination and information sharing among local, state,
- interstate, and federal law enforcement and social service agencies.
- 31 (3) To maximize the efficiency and effectiveness of state resources

and to improve interagency cooperation, the task force shall, where

- 33 feasible, use existing facilities, systems, and staff made available by
- 34 the state patrol and other local, state, interstate, and federal law
- 35 enforcement and social service agencies. The chief of the state patrol
- 36 may employ such additional personnel as are necessary for the work of
- 37 the task force and may share personnel costs with other agencies.

1 (4) The chief of the state patrol shall seek public and private 2 grants and gifts to support the work of the task force.

- (5) ((By December 1, 2001, and annually thereafter, the chief of the state patrol shall submit a report to the appropriate committees of the legislature. The report shall establish performance measurements and objectives for the task force and assess the accomplishments of the task force.
- (6))) For the purposes of RCW 13.60.100 through 13.60.120, "exploited children" means children under the age of eighteen who are employed, used, persuaded, induced, enticed, or coerced to engage in, or assist another person to engage in, sexually explicit conduct. "Exploited children" also means the rape, molestation, or use for prostitution of children under the age of eighteen.
- **Sec. 5.** RCW 74.13.031 and 2008 c 267 s 6 are each amended to read 15 as follows:
- The department shall have the duty to provide child welfare services and shall:
 - (1) Develop, administer, supervise, and monitor a coordinated and comprehensive plan that establishes, aids, and strengthens services for the protection and care of runaway, dependent, or neglected children.
 - (2) Within available resources, recruit an adequate number of prospective adoptive and foster homes, both regular and specialized, i.e. homes for children of ethnic minority, including Indian homes for Indian children, sibling groups, handicapped and emotionally disturbed, teens, pregnant and parenting teens((,-and-annually-report-to-the governor and the legislature concerning the department's success-in:(a)-Meeting-the-need-for-adoptive-and-foster-home-placements;-(b) reducing the foster parent turnover rate; (c) completing home studies for-legally-free-children;-and-(d)-implementing-and-operating-the passport program required by RCW 74.13.285. The report shall include a section entitled "Foster Home Turn-Over, Causes and Recommendations.")).
 - (3) Investigate complaints of any recent act or failure to act on the part of a parent or caretaker that results in death, serious physical or emotional harm, or sexual abuse or exploitation, or that presents an imminent risk of serious harm, and on the basis of the findings of such investigation, offer child welfare services in

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relation to the problem to such parents, legal custodians, or persons serving in loco parentis, and/or bring the situation to the attention of an appropriate court, or another community agency. An investigation is not required of nonaccidental injuries which are clearly not the result of a lack of care or supervision by the child's parents, legal custodians, or persons serving in loco parentis. If the investigation reveals that a crime against a child may have been committed, the department shall notify the appropriate law enforcement agency.

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- (4) Offer, on a voluntary basis, family reconciliation services to families who are in conflict.
- (5) Monitor placements of children in out-of-home care and in-home dependencies to assure the safety, well-being, and quality of care being provided is within the scope of the intent of the legislature as defined in RCW 74.13.010 and 74.15.010. The policy for monitoring placements under this section shall require that children in out-of-home care and in-home dependencies and their caregivers receive a private and individual face-to-face visit each month.
- (a) The department shall conduct the monthly visits with children and caregivers required under this section unless the child's placement is being supervised under a contract between the department and a private agency accredited by a national child welfare accrediting entity, in which case the private agency shall, within existing resources, conduct the monthly visits with the child and with the child's caregiver according to the standards described in this subsection and shall provide the department with a written report of the visits within fifteen days of completing the visits.
- (b) In cases where the monthly visits required under this subsection are being conducted by a private agency, the department shall conduct a face-to-face health and safety visit with the child at least once every ninety days.
- (6) Have authority to accept custody of children from parents and to accept custody of children from juvenile courts, where authorized to do so under law, to provide child welfare services including placement for adoption, to provide for the routine and necessary medical, dental, and mental health care, or necessary emergency care of the children, and to provide for the physical care of such children and make payment of maintenance costs if needed. Except where required by Public Law 95-608 (25 U.S.C. Sec. 1915), no private adoption agency which receives

children for adoption from the department shall discriminate on the basis of race, creed, or color when considering applications in their placement for adoption.

- (7) Have authority to provide temporary shelter to children who have run away from home and who are admitted to crisis residential centers.
- (8) Have authority to purchase care for children; and shall follow in general the policy of using properly approved private agency services for the actual care and supervision of such children insofar as they are available, paying for care of such children as are accepted by the department as eligible for support at reasonable rates established by the department.
- (9) Establish a children's services advisory committee which shall assist the secretary in the development of a partnership plan for utilizing resources of the public and private sectors, and advise on all matters pertaining to child welfare, licensing of child care agencies, adoption, and services related thereto. At least one member shall represent the adoption community.
- (10)(a) Have authority to provide continued foster care or group care as needed to participate in or complete a high school or vocational school program.
- (b)(i) Beginning in 2006, the department has the authority to allow up to fifty youth reaching age eighteen to continue in foster care or group care as needed to participate in or complete a posthigh school academic or vocational program, and to receive necessary support and transition services.
- (ii) In 2007 and 2008, the department has the authority to allow up to fifty additional youth per year reaching age eighteen to remain in foster care or group care as provided in (b)(i) of this subsection.
- (iii) A youth who remains eligible for such placement and services pursuant to department rules may continue in foster care or group care until the youth reaches his or her twenty-first birthday. Eligibility requirements shall include active enrollment in a posthigh school academic or vocational program and maintenance of a 2.0 grade point average.
- (11) Refer cases to the division of child support whenever state or federal funds are expended for the care and maintenance of a child, including a child with a developmental disability who is placed as a

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result of an action under chapter 13.34 RCW, unless the department finds that there is good cause not to pursue collection of child support against the parent or parents of the child. Cases involving individuals age eighteen through twenty shall not be referred to the division of child support unless required by federal law.

(12) Have authority within funds appropriated for foster care services to purchase care for Indian children who are in the custody of a federally recognized Indian tribe or tribally licensed child-placing agency pursuant to parental consent, tribal court order, or state juvenile court order; and the purchase of such care shall be subject to the same eligibility standards and rates of support applicable to other children for whom the department purchases care.

Notwithstanding any other provision of RCW 13.32A.170 through 13.32A.200 and 74.13.032 through 74.13.036, or of this section all services to be provided by the department of social and health services under subsections (4), (6), and (7) of this section, subject to the limitations of these subsections, may be provided by any program offering such services funded pursuant to Titles II and III of the federal juvenile justice and delinquency prevention act of 1974.

- (13) Within amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, provide preventive services to families with children that prevent or shorten the duration of an out-of-home placement.
- (14) Have authority to provide independent living services to youths, including individuals who have attained eighteen years of age, and have not attained twenty-one years of age who are or have been in foster care.
- (15) Consult at least quarterly with foster parents, including members of the foster parent association of Washington state, for the purpose of receiving information and comment regarding how the department is performing the duties and meeting the obligations specified in this section and RCW 74.13.250 and 74.13.320 regarding the recruitment of foster homes, reducing foster parent turnover rates, providing effective training for foster parents, and administering a coordinated and comprehensive plan that strengthens services for the protection of children. Consultation shall occur at the regional and statewide levels.

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- (1) The department of social and health services shall oversee implementation of chapter 13.34 RCW and chapter 13.32A RCW. The oversight shall be comprised of working with affected parts of the criminal justice and child care systems as well as with local government, legislative, and executive authorities to effectively carry out these chapters. The department shall work with all such entities to ensure that chapters 13.32A and 13.34 RCW are implemented in a uniform manner throughout the state.
- (2) The department shall develop a plan and procedures, in cooperation with the statewide advisory committee, to insure the full implementation of the provisions of chapter 13.32A RCW. Such plan and procedures shall include but are not limited to:
- (a) Procedures defining and delineating the role of the department and juvenile court with regard to the execution of the child in need of services placement process;
- (b) Procedures for designating department staff responsible for family reconciliation services;
- (c) Procedures assuring enforcement of contempt proceedings in accordance with RCW 13.32A.170 and 13.32A.250; and
- (d) Procedures for the continued education of all individuals in the criminal juvenile justice and child care systems who are affected by chapter 13.32A RCW, as well as members of the legislative and executive branches of government.
- There shall be uniform application of the procedures developed by the department and juvenile court personnel, to the extent practicable. Local and regional differences shall be taken into consideration in the development of procedures required under this subsection.
- 30 (3) In addition to its other oversight duties, the department 31 shall:
- 32 (a) Identify and evaluate resource needs in each region of the 33 state;
- 34 (b) Disseminate information collected as part of the oversight 35 process to affected groups and the general public;
- 36 (c) Educate affected entities within the juvenile justice and child 37 care systems, local government, and the legislative branch regarding 38 the implementation of chapters 13.32A and 13.34 RCW;

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1 (d) Review complaints concerning the services, policies, and 2 procedures of those entities charged with implementing chapters 13.32A 3 and 13.34 RCW; and

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- (e) Report any violations and misunderstandings regarding the implementation of chapters 13.32A and 13.34 RCW.
- ((4)-The-department-shall-provide-an-annual-report-to-the 6 7 legislature not later than December 1 of each year only when it has 8 declined to accept custody of a child from a law enforcement agency or it has received a report of a child being released without placement. 9 10 The report shall indicate the number of times it has declined to accept 11 custody of a child from a law enforcement agency under chapter 13.32A 12 RCW and the number of times it has received a report of a child being 13 released-without-placement-under-RCW-13.32A.060(1)(c). The-report 14 shall include the dates, places, and reasons the department declined to 15 accept custody and the dates and places children are released without 16 placement.))

Sec. 7. RCW 74.08A.130 and 1997 c 58 s 204 are each amended to read as follows:

The department shall make an affirmative effort to identify and proactively contact legal immigrants receiving public assistance to facilitate their applications for naturalization. The department shall obtain a complete list of legal immigrants in Washington who are receiving correspondence regarding their eligibility from the social security administration. The department shall inform immigrants regarding how citizenship may be attained. In order to facilitate the citizenship process, the department shall coordinate and contract, to the extent necessary, with existing public and private resources and shall, within available funds, ensure that those immigrants who qualify to apply for naturalization are referred to or otherwise offered classes. The department shall assist eligible immigrants in obtaining appropriate test exemptions, and other exemptions in the naturalization process, to the extent permitted under federal law. ((The department shall report annually by December 15th to the legislature regarding the progress-and-barriers-of-the-immigrant-naturalization-facilitation effort. It is the intent of the legislature that persons receiving naturalization-assistance-be-facilitated-in-obtaining-citizenship within two years of their eligibility to apply.))

- 1 **Sec. 8.** RCW 70.56.040 and 2008 c 136 s 2 are each amended to read 2 as follows:
 - (1) The department shall contract with a qualified, independent entity to receive notifications and reports of adverse events and incidents, and carry out the activities specified in this section. In establishing qualifications for, and choosing the independent entity, the department shall strongly consider the patient safety organization criteria included in the federal patient safety and quality improvement act of 2005, P.L. 109-41, and any regulations adopted to implement this chapter.
 - (2) The independent entity shall:

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- (a) In collaboration with the department of health, establish an internet-based system for medical facilities and the health care workers of a medical facility to submit notifications and reports of adverse events and incidents, which shall be accessible twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. The system shall be a portal to report both adverse events and incidents, and notifications and reports of adverse events shall be immediately transmitted to the department. system shall be a secure system that protects the confidentiality of personal health information and provider and facility specific information submitted in notifications and reports, including appropriate encryption and an accurate means of authenticating the identity of users of the system. When the system becomes operational, medical facilities shall submit all notifications and reports by means of the system;
- (b) Collect, analyze, and evaluate data regarding notifications and reports of adverse events and incidents, including the identification of performance indicators and patterns in frequency or severity at certain medical facilities or in certain regions of the state;
- (c) Develop recommendations for changes in health care practices and procedures, which may be instituted for the purpose of reducing the number or severity of adverse events and incidents;
- (d) Directly advise reporting medical facilities of immediate changes that can be instituted to reduce adverse events or incidents;
- (e) Issue recommendations to medical facilities on a facility-specific or on a statewide basis regarding changes, trends, and improvements in health care practices and procedures for the purpose of reducing the number and severity of adverse events or

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- incidents. Prior to issuing recommendations, consideration shall be 1 2 given to the following factors: Expectation of improved quality of care, implementation feasibility, other relevant implementation 3 practices, and the cost impact to patients, payers, and medical 4 facilities. Statewide recommendations shall be issued to medical 5 facilities on a continuing basis and shall be published and posted on 6 7 a publicly accessible web site. The recommendations made to medical facilities under this section shall not be considered mandatory for 8 9 licensure purposes unless they are adopted by the department as rules 10 pursuant to chapter 34.05 RCW; and
 - (f) Monitor implementation of reporting systems addressing adverse events or their equivalent in other states and make recommendations to the governor and the legislature as necessary for modifications to this chapter to keep the system as nearly consistent as possible with similar systems in other states.
 - (3)(((a) The independent entity shall report no later than January 1, 2008, and annually thereafter to the governor and the legislature on the activities under this chapter in the preceding year. The report shall include:
 - (i) The number of adverse events and incidents reported by medical facilities, in the aggregate, on a geographical basis, and a summary of actions—taken—by—facilities—in—response—to—the—adverse—events—or incidents;
 - (ii) -In-the-aggregate, -the-information-derived-from-the-data collected, including any recognized trends concerning patient safety;
 - (iii) Recommendations for statutory or regulatory changes that may help improve patient safety in the state; and
 - (iv) Information, presented in the aggregate, to inform and educate consumers and providers, on best practices and prevention tools that medical facilities are implementing to prevent adverse events as well as other patient safety initiatives medical facilities are undertaking to promote patient safety.
- 33 (b) The annual report shall be made available for public inspection 34 and shall be posted on the department's and the independent entity's 35 web site.
- (4)) The independent entity shall conduct all activities under this section in a manner that preserves the confidentiality of

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facilities, documents, materials, or information made confidential by RCW 70.56.050.

 $((\frac{5}{1}))$ (4) Medical facilities and health care workers may provide 3 notification of incidents to the independent entity. The notification 4 shall be filed in a format specified by the independent entity, after 5 consultation with the department and medical facilities, and shall 6 7 identify the facility but shall not include any identifying information for any of the health care professionals, facility employees, or 8 patients involved. This provision does not modify the duty of a 9 hospital to make a report to the department or a disciplinary authority 10 if a licensed practitioner has committed unprofessional conduct as 11 12 defined in RCW 18.130.180. The protections of RCW 43.70.075 apply to 13 notifications of incidents that are submitted in good faith by 14 employees of medical facilities.

15 **Sec. 9.** RCW 43.70.690 and 2005 c 462 s 4 are each amended to read 16 as follows:

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- (1) The department, in collaboration with its public and private partners, shall design a state asthma plan, based on clinically sound criteria including nationally recognized guidelines such as those established by the national asthma education prevention partnership expert panel report guidelines for the diagnosis and management of asthma.
 - (2) The plan shall include recommendations in the following areas:
- 24 (a) Evidence-based processes for the prevention and management of asthma;
- 26 (b) Data systems that support asthma prevalence reporting, 27 including population disparities and practice variation in the 28 treatment of asthma;
- 29 (c) Quality improvement strategies addressing the successful 30 diagnosis and management of the disease; and
 - (d) Cost estimates and sources of funding for plan implementation.
- 32 (3) The department shall submit the completed state plan to the 33 governor and the legislature by December 1, 2005. ((After the initial 34 state plan is submitted, the department shall provide progress reports 35 to-the-governor-and-the-legislature-on-a-biennial-basis-beginning 36 December 1, 2007.))

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- 1 (4) The department shall implement the state plan recommendations 2 made under subsection (2) of this section only to the extent that 3 federal, state, or private funds, including grants, are available for 4 that purpose.
- 5 **Sec. 10.** RCW 77.85.140 and 2007 c 241 s 22 are each amended to read as follows:
 - (1) Habitat project lists shall be submitted to the salmon recovery funding board for funding at least once a year on a schedule established by the board. The board shall provide the legislature with a list of the proposed projects and a list of the projects funded by October 1st of each year for informational purposes. Project sponsors who complete salmon habitat projects approved for funding from habitat project lists and have met grant application deadlines will be paid by the salmon recovery funding board within thirty days of project completion.
- 16 (2) The recreation and conservation office shall track all funds 17 allocated for salmon habitat projects and salmon recovery activities on 18 behalf of the board, including both funds allocated by the board and 19 funds allocated by other state or federal agencies for salmon recovery 20 or water quality improvement.
- (((3)-Beginning-in-December-2000,-the-board-shall-provide-a biennial report to the governor and the legislature on salmon recovery expenditures. This report shall be coordinated with the state of the salmon report required under RCW 77.85.020.))
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. The following acts or parts of acts are each repealed:
- 27 (1) RCW 43.88.067 (Fee and expense report--Impact of amounts awarded to prevailing party in agency action) and 1999 c 372 s 10 & 1995 c 403 s 905;
- 30 (2) RCW 46.48.180 (State patrol study to insure uniformity of regulations) and 1980 c 20 s 2 & 1961 c 12 s 46.48.180;
- 32 (3) RCW 43.44.100 (Annual report) and 1995 c 369 s 33, 1986 c 266 33 s 76, 1985 c 470 s 26, 1977 c 75 s 71, & 1947 c 79 s .33.11;
- 34 (4) RCW 74.14C.080 (Data collection--Reports to the legislature) 35 and 1995 c 311 s 5;

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- 1 (5) RCW 80.36.475 (Washington telephone assistance program--Report to legislature) and 2003 c 134 s 9 & 1990 c 170 s 7;
- 3 (6) RCW 74.08A.430 (Outcome measures--Report to legislature) and 4 1997 c 58 s 704;
- 5 (7) RCW 70.114A.085 (Temporary worker building code--Report) and 6 1999 c 374 s 11;
- 7 (8) RCW 43.70.518 (Public health--Annual reports) and 2007 c 259 s 8 63;
- 9 (9) RCW 43.215.080 (Reports to the governor and legislature) and 10 2006 c 265 s 109;
- 11 (10) RCW 43.215.435 (Early childhood education and assistance 12 program--Reports) and 1995 c 335 s 501, 1994 c 166 s 9, 1988 c 174 s 8, 13 & 1985 c 418 s 8; and
- 14 (11) RCW 79A.15.100 (Report to governor and standing committees) 15 and 2007 c 241 s 35 & 1990 1st ex.s. c 14 s 11.

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17 **Sec. 12.** RCW 43.320.100 and 1993 c 472 s 24 are each amended to 18 read as follows:

The director of financial institutions shall file in his or her office all reports required to be made to the director, prepare and furnish to banks, savings banks, foreign bank branches, savings and loan associations, credit unions, consumer loan companies, check cashers and sellers, and trust companies and departments blank forms for such reports as are required of them, and ((each year)), beginning in the 2009-2011 fiscal biennium and each biennium thereafter, make a report to the governor showing:

- (1) A summary of the conditions of the banks, savings banks, foreign bank branches, savings and loan associations, credit unions, consumer loan companies, check cashers and sellers, and trust companies and departments at the date of their last report; and
- (2) A list of those organized or closed during the year.
- The director may publish such other statements, reports, and pamphlets as he or she deems advisable.
- 34 **Sec. 13.** RCW 39.102.140 and 2007 c 229 s 9 are each amended to read as follows:

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(1) A sponsoring local government shall provide a report to the board and the department by March 1st of each year. The report shall contain the following information:

- (a) The amount of local excise tax allocation revenues, local property tax allocation revenues, other revenues from local public sources, and taxes under RCW 82.14.475 received by the sponsoring local government during the preceding calendar year that were dedicated to pay the public improvements financed in whole or in part with local infrastructure financing, and a summary of how these revenues were expended;
- (b) The names of any businesses locating within the revenue development area as a result of the public improvements undertaken by the sponsoring local government and financed in whole or in part with local infrastructure financing;
- (c) The total number of permanent jobs created in the revenue development area as a result of the public improvements undertaken by the sponsoring local government and financed in whole or in part with local infrastructure financing;
- (d) The average wages and benefits received by all employees of businesses locating within the revenue development area as a result of the public improvements undertaken by the sponsoring local government and financed in whole or in part with local infrastructure financing; and
- 24 (e) That the sponsoring local government is in compliance with RCW 39.102.070.
 - (2) The board shall make a report available to the public and the legislature by June 1st of each <u>even-numbered</u> year. The report shall include a list of public improvements undertaken by sponsoring local governments and financed in whole or in part with local infrastructure financing and it shall also include a summary of the information provided to the department by sponsoring local governments under subsection (1) of this section.
- **Sec. 14.** RCW 43.336.060 and 2007 c 228 s 107 are each amended to read as follows:
- On or before June 30th of each ((fiscal)) even-numbered year, the commission shall submit a report to the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the house of representatives and senate that describes

the tourism development program for the previous fiscal year and quantifies the financial benefits to the state. The report must contain information concerning targeted markets, benefits to different areas of the state, return on the state's investment, grants disbursed under the tourism competitive grant program, a copy of the most recent strategic plan, and other relevant information related to tourism development.

Sec. 15. RCW 43.365.040 and 2006 c 247 s 6 are each amended to 9 read as follows:

- (1) The legislature finds that accountability and effectiveness are important aspects of setting tax policy. In order to make policy choices regarding the best use of limited state resources the legislature needs information on how incentives are used.
- (2) Each motion picture production receiving funding assistance under RCW 43.365.020 shall report information to the department by filing a complete annual survey. The survey is due by March 31st of the year following any calendar year in which funding assistance under RCW ((43.365.030)) 43.365.020 is taken. The department may extend the due date for timely filing of annual surveys under this section if failure to file was the result of circumstances beyond the control of the motion picture production receiving the funding assistance.
- (3) The survey shall include the amount of funding assistance received. The survey shall also include the following information for employment positions in Washington by the motion picture production receiving funding assistance, including indirect employment by contractors or other affiliates:
 - (a) The number of total employment positions;
- 28 (b) Full-time, part-time, and temporary employment positions as a 29 percent of total employment;
 - (c) The number of employment positions according to the following wage bands: Less than thirty thousand dollars; thirty thousand dollars or greater, but less than sixty thousand dollars; and sixty thousand dollars or greater. A wage band containing fewer than three individuals may be combined with another wage band; and
- 35 (d) The number of employment positions that have employer-provided 36 medical, dental, and retirement benefits, by each of the wage bands.

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(4) The department may request additional information necessary to measure the results of the funding assistance program, to be submitted at the same time as the survey.

- (5) If a person fails to submit an annual survey under subsection (2) of this section by the due date of the report or any extension the department shall declare the amount of funding assistance for the previous calendar year to be immediately due and payable. The department shall assess interest, but not penalties, on the amounts due under this section. The interest shall be assessed at the rate provided for delinquent taxes under chapter 82.32 RCW, retroactively to the date the funding assistance was received, and shall accrue until the funding assistance is repaid.
- 13 (6) The department shall use the information from this section to 14 prepare summary descriptive statistics. The department shall report 15 these statistics to the legislature each <u>even-numbered</u> year by 16 September 1st. The department shall provide the complete annual 17 surveys to the joint legislative audit and review committee.
- **Sec. 16.** RCW 43.330.082 and 2007 c 249 s 3 are each amended to 19 read as follows:
 - (1) Contracting associate development organizations shall provide the department with measures of their performance. Annual reports shall include information on the impact of the contracting organization on employment, wages, tax revenue, and capital investment. Specific measures shall be developed in the contracting process between the department and the contracting organization every two years. Performance measures should be consistent across regions to allow for statewide evaluation.
 - (2)(a) The department and contracting organizations shall agree upon specific target levels for the performance measures in subsection (1) of this section. Comparison of agreed thresholds and actual performance shall occur annually.
 - (b) Contracting organizations that fail to achieve the agreed performance targets in more than one-half of the agreed measures shall develop remediation plans to address performance gaps. The remediation plans shall include revised performance thresholds specifically chosen to provide evidence of progress in making the identified service changes.

(c) Contracts and state funding shall be terminated for one year for organizations that fail to achieve the agreed upon progress toward improved performance defined under (b) of this subsection. During the year in which termination for nonperformance is in effect, organizations shall review alternative delivery strategies to include reorganization of the contracting organization, merging of previous efforts with existing regional partners, and other specific steps toward improved performance. At the end of the period of termination, the department may contract with the associate development organization or its successor as it deems appropriate.

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- 11 (3) The department shall report to the legislature and the 12 Washington economic development commission by December 31st of each 13 <u>even-numbered</u> year on the performance results of the contracts with 14 associate development organizations.
- 15 **Sec. 17.** RCW 43.155.070 and 2008 c 299 s 25 are each amended to read as follows:
- 17 (1) To qualify for loans or pledges under this chapter the board 18 must determine that a local government meets all of the following 19 conditions:
- 20 (a) The city or county must be imposing a tax under chapter 82.46 21 RCW at a rate of at least one-quarter of one percent;
- 22 (b) The local government must have developed a capital facility 23 plan; and
 - (c) The local government must be using all local revenue sources which are reasonably available for funding public works, taking into consideration local employment and economic factors.
 - (2) Except where necessary to address a public health need or substantial environmental degradation, a county, city, or town planning under RCW 36.70A.040 must have adopted a comprehensive plan, including a capital facilities plan element, and development regulations as required by RCW 36.70A.040. This subsection does not require any county, city, or town planning under RCW 36.70A.040 to adopt a comprehensive plan or development regulations before requesting or receiving a loan or loan guarantee under this chapter if such request is made before the expiration of the time periods specified in RCW 36.70A.040. A county, city, or town planning under RCW 36.70A.040 which has not adopted a comprehensive plan and development regulations

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within the time periods specified in RCW 36.70A.040 is not prohibited from receiving a loan or loan guarantee under this chapter if the comprehensive plan and development regulations are adopted as required by RCW 36.70A.040 before submitting a request for a loan or loan guarantee.

- (3) In considering awarding loans for public facilities to special districts requesting funding for a proposed facility located in a county, city, or town planning under RCW 36.70A.040, the board shall consider whether the county, city, or town planning under RCW 36.70A.040 in whose planning jurisdiction the proposed facility is located has adopted a comprehensive plan and development regulations as required by RCW 36.70A.040.
- (4) The board shall develop a priority process for public works projects as provided in this section. The intent of the priority process is to maximize the value of public works projects accomplished with assistance under this chapter. The board shall attempt to assure a geographical balance in assigning priorities to projects. The board shall consider at least the following factors in assigning a priority to a project:
- (a) Whether the local government receiving assistance has experienced severe fiscal distress resulting from natural disaster or emergency public works needs;
- (b) Except as otherwise conditioned by RCW 43.155.110, whether the entity receiving assistance is a Puget Sound partner, as defined in RCW 90.71.010;
- (c) Whether the project is referenced in the action agenda developed by the Puget Sound partnership under RCW 90.71.310;
- (d) Whether the project is critical in nature and would affect the health and safety of a great number of citizens;
- (e) Whether the applicant has developed and adhered to guidelines regarding its permitting process for those applying for development permits consistent with section 1(2), chapter 231, Laws of 2007;
- (f) The cost of the project compared to the size of the local government and amount of loan money available;
 - (g) The number of communities served by or funding the project;
- (h) Whether the project is located in an area of high unemployment,
 compared to the average state unemployment;

(i) Whether the project is the acquisition, expansion, improvement, or renovation by a local government of a public water system that is in violation of health and safety standards, including the cost of extending existing service to such a system;

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- (j) Except as otherwise conditioned by RCW 43.155.120, and effective one calendar year following the development of model evergreen community management plans and ordinances under RCW 35.105.050, whether the entity receiving assistance has been recognized, and what gradation of recognition was received, in the evergreen community recognition program created in RCW 35.105.030;
- (k) The relative benefit of the project to the community, considering the present level of economic activity in the community and the existing local capacity to increase local economic activity in communities that have low economic growth; and
 - (1) Other criteria that the board considers advisable.
- (5) Existing debt or financial obligations of local governments shall not be refinanced under this chapter. Each local government applicant shall provide documentation of attempts to secure additional local or other sources of funding for each public works project for which financial assistance is sought under this chapter.
- (6) Before November 1st of each even-numbered year, the board shall develop and submit to the appropriate fiscal committees of the senate and house of representatives a description of the loans made under RCW 43.155.065, 43.155.068, and subsection (9) of this section during the preceding fiscal year and a prioritized list of projects which are recommended for funding by the legislature, including one copy to the staff of each of the committees. The list shall include, but not be limited to, a description of each project and recommended financing, the terms and conditions of the loan or financial quarantee, the local government jurisdiction and unemployment rate, demonstration of the jurisdiction's critical need for the project and documentation of local funds being used to finance the public works project. The list shall also include measures of fiscal capacity for each jurisdiction recommended for financial assistance, compared to authorized limits and state averages, including local government sales taxes; real estate excise taxes; property taxes; and charges for or taxes on sewerage, water, garbage, and other utilities.

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(7) The board shall not sign contracts or otherwise financially obligate funds from the public works assistance account before the legislature has appropriated funds for a specific list of public works projects. The legislature may remove projects from the list recommended by the board. The legislature shall not change the order of the priorities recommended for funding by the board.

- (8) Subsection (7) of this section does not apply to loans made under RCW 43.155.065, 43.155.068, and subsection (9) of this section.
- (9) Loans made for the purpose of capital facilities plans shall be exempted from subsection (7) of this section.
- (10) To qualify for loans or pledges for solid waste or recycling facilities under this chapter, a city or county must demonstrate that the solid waste or recycling facility is consistent with and necessary to implement the comprehensive solid waste management plan adopted by the city or county under chapter 70.95 RCW.
- (11) After January 1, 2010, any project designed to address the effects of storm water or wastewater on Puget Sound may be funded under this section only if the project is not in conflict with the action agenda developed by the Puget Sound partnership under RCW 90.71.310.
- **Sec. 18.** RCW 43.185C.040 and 2005 c 484 s 7 are each amended to 21 read as follows:
 - (1) Six months after the first Washington homeless census, the department shall, in consultation with the interagency council on homelessness and the affordable housing advisory board, prepare and publish a ten-year homeless housing strategic plan which shall outline statewide goals and performance measures and shall be coordinated with the plan for homeless families with children required under RCW 43.63A.650. To guide local governments in preparation of their first local homeless housing plans due December 31, 2005, the department shall issue by October 15, 2005, temporary guidelines consistent with this chapter and including the best available data on each community's homeless population. Local governments' ten-year homeless housing plans shall not be substantially inconsistent with the goals and program recommendations of the temporary guidelines and, when amended after 2005, the state strategic plan.
 - (2) Program outcomes and performance measures and goals shall be

created by the department and reflected in the department's homeless housing strategic plan as well as interim goals against which state and local governments' performance may be measured, including:

- (a) By the end of year one, completion of the first census as described in RCW 43.185C.030;
- (b) By the end of each subsequent year, goals common to all local programs which are measurable and the achievement of which would move that community toward housing its homeless population; and
- (c) By July 1, 2015, reduction of the homeless population statewide and in each county by fifty percent.
 - (3) The department shall develop a consistent statewide data gathering instrument to monitor the performance of cities and counties receiving grants in order to determine compliance with the terms and conditions set forth in the grant application or required by the department.

The department shall, in consultation with the interagency council on homelessness and the affordable housing advisory board, report ((annually)) biennially to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature an assessment of the state's performance in furthering the goals of the state ten-year homeless housing strategic plan and the performance of each participating local government in creating and executing a local homeless housing plan which meets the requirements of this chapter. The annual report may include performance measures such as:

- (a) The reduction in the number of homeless individuals and families from the initial count of homeless persons;
- (b) The number of new units available and affordable for homeless families by housing type;
- (c) The number of homeless individuals identified who are not offered suitable housing within thirty days of their request or identification as homeless;
- 32 (d) The number of households at risk of losing housing who maintain 33 it due to a preventive intervention;
 - (e) The transition time from homelessness to permanent housing;
- 35 (f) The cost per person housed at each level of the housing 36 continuum;
- 37 (g) The ability to successfully collect data and report 38 performance;

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- 1 (h) The extent of collaboration and coordination among public 2 bodies, as well as community stakeholders, and the level of community 3 support and participation;
 - (i) The quality and safety of housing provided; and

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- (j) The effectiveness of outreach to homeless persons, and their satisfaction with the program.
- (4) Based on the performance of local homeless housing programs in meeting their interim goals, on general population changes and on changes in the homeless population recorded in the annual census, the department may revise the performance measures and goals of the state homeless housing strategic plan, set goals for years following the initial ten-year period, and recommend changes in local governments' plans.
- 14 **Sec. 19.** RCW 43.63A.068 and 2007 c 384 s 6 are each amended to read as follows:
 - (1)(a) The department of community, trade, and economic development shall establish an advisory committee to monitor, guide, and report on recommendations relating to policies and programs for children and families with incarcerated parents.
 - (b) The advisory committee shall include representatives of the department of corrections, the department of social and health services, the department of early learning, the office of the superintendent of public instruction, representatives of the private nonprofit and business sectors, child advocates, representatives of Washington state Indian tribes as defined under the federal Indian welfare act (25 U.S.C. Sec. 1901 et seq.), court administrators, the administrative office of the courts, the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs, jail administrators, the office of the governor, and others who have an interest in these issues.
 - (c) The advisory committee shall:
 - (i) Gather the data collected by the departments as required in RCW 72.09.495, 74.04.800, 43.215.065, and 28A.300.520;
- (ii) Monitor and provide consultation on the implementation of recommendations contained in the 2006 children of incarcerated parents report;
- 36 (iii) Identify areas of need and develop recommendations for the 37 legislature, the department of social and health services, the

- department of corrections, the department of early learning, and the office of the superintendent of public instruction to better meet the needs of children and families of persons incarcerated in department of corrections facilities; and
- (iv) Advise the department of community, trade, and economic development regarding community programs the department should fund with moneys appropriated for this purpose in the operating budget. The advisory committee shall provide recommendations to the department regarding the following:
 - (A) The goals for geographic distribution of programs and funding;
- (B) The scope and purpose of eligible services and the priority of such services;
 - (C) Grant award funding limits;

- (D) Entities eligible to apply for the funding;
- (E) Whether the funding should be directed towards starting or supporting new programs, expanding existing programs, or whether the funding should be open to all eligible services and providers; and
 - (F) Other areas the advisory committee determines appropriate.
- (d) The children of incarcerated parents advisory committee shall update the legislature and governor ((annually)) biennially on committee activities, with the first update due by January 1, ((2008)) 2010.
- (2) The department of community, trade, and economic development shall select community programs or services to receive funding that focus on children and families of inmates incarcerated in a department of corrections facility and sustaining the family during the period of the inmate's incarceration.
- (a) Programs or services which meet the needs of the children of incarcerated parents should be the greatest consideration in the programs that are identified by the department.
- (b) The department shall consider the recommendations of the advisory committee regarding which services or programs the department should fund.
- (c) The programs selected shall collaborate with an agency, or agencies, experienced in providing services to aid families and victims of sexual assault and domestic violence to ensure that the programs identify families who have a history of sexual assault or domestic

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- violence and ensure the services provided are appropriate for the children and families.
- 3 **Sec. 20.** RCW 39.86.190 and 1987 c 297 s 10 are each amended to 4 read as follows:
- By February 1 of each <u>even-numbered</u> year, the agency shall summarize for the legislature each previous year's bond allocation requests and issuance. Beginning in June of 1988 and thereafter in June of each even-numbered year, the agency shall also submit a biennial report summarizing usage of the bond allocation proceeds and any policy concerns for future bond allocations.
- 11 **Sec. 21.** RCW 43.325.050 and 2006 c 171 s 7 are each amended to read as follows:
- 13 The director shall report to the legislature and governor on the 14 status of the energy freedom program created under this chapter, on or 15 before December 1, 2006, and ((annually)) biennially thereafter. This 16 report must include information on the projects that have been funded, 17 the status of these projects, and their environmental, energy savings, 18 and job creation benefits.
- 19 **Sec. 22.** RCW 43.79.460 and 2009 c 4 s 902 are each amended to read 20 as follows:
 - (1) The savings incentive account is created in the custody of the state treasurer. The account shall consist of all moneys appropriated to the account by the legislature. The account is subject to the allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is required for expenditures from the account.
 - (2) Within the savings incentive account, the state treasurer may create subaccounts to be credited with incentive savings attributable to individual state agencies, as determined by the office of financial management in consultation with the legislative fiscal committees. Moneys deposited in the subaccounts may be expended only on the authorization of the agency's executive head or designee and only for the purpose of one-time expenditures to improve the quality, efficiency, and effectiveness of services to customers of the state, such as one-time expenditures for employee training, employee incentives, technology improvements, new work processes, or performance

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- measurement. Funds may not be expended from the account to establish new programs or services, expand existing programs or services, or incur ongoing costs that would require future expenditures.
- (3) For purposes of this section, "incentive savings" means state general fund appropriations that are unspent as of June 30th of a fiscal year, excluding any amounts included in across-the-board reductions under RCW 43.88.110 and excluding unspent appropriations for:
- (a) Caseload and enrollment in entitlement programs, except to the extent that an agency has clearly demonstrated that efficiencies have been achieved in the administration of the entitlement program. "Entitlement program," as used in this section, includes programs for which specific sums of money are appropriated for pass-through to third parties or other entities;
 - (b) Enrollments in state institutions of higher education;
- (c) A specific amount contained in a condition or limitation to an appropriation in the biennial appropriations act, if the agency did not achieve the specific purpose or objective of the condition or limitation;
 - (d) Debt service on state obligations; and
 - (e) State retirement system obligations.

- (4) The office of financial management, after consulting with the legislative fiscal committees, shall report ((to the treasurer)) the amount of savings incentives achieved. ((By December 1, 1998, and each December—1st—thereafter,—the—office—of—financial—management—shall submit—a—report—to—the—fiscal—committees—of—the—legislature—on—the implementation—of—this—section. The—report—shall—(a)—evaluate—the impact—of—this—section—on—agency—reversions—and—end—of—biennium expenditure—patterns,—and—(b)—itemize—agency—expenditures—from—the savings—recovery—account. The—office—of—financial—management—is relieved from having to submit a report by December 1, 2008.))
- 32 (5) For fiscal year 2009, the legislature may transfer from the 33 savings incentive account to the state general fund such amounts as 34 reflect the fund balance of the account attributable to unspent state 35 general fund appropriations for fiscal year 2008.
- **Sec. 23.** RCW 18.130.310 and 2008 c 134 s 13 are each amended to read as follows:

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- (1) Subject to RCW 40.07.040, the disciplinary authority shall 1 2 submit ((an-annual)) a biennial report to the legislature on its proceedings during the ((year)) biennium, detailing the number of 3 complaints made, investigated, and adjudicated and manner 4 of In addition, the report must provide data on the 5 disposition. department's background check activities conducted under RCW 18.130.064 6 7 and the effectiveness of those activities in identifying potential 8 license holders who may not be qualified to practice safely. report must summarize the distribution of the number of cases assigned 9 10 to each attorney and investigator for each profession. The identity of the attorney and investigator must remain anonymous. The report may 11 12 include recommendations for improving the disciplinary process, 13 including proposed legislation. The department shall develop a uniform 14 report format.
 - (2) Each disciplining authority identified in RCW 18.130.040(2)(b) may submit ((an-annual)) a biennial report to complement the report required under subsection (1) of this section. Each report may provide additional information about the disciplinary activities, rule-making and policy activities, and receipts and expenditures for the individual disciplining authority.
- 21 **Sec. 24.** RCW 43.20.100 and 1977 c 75 s 44 are each amended to read 22 as follows:
- 23 The state board of health shall ((make an annual)) report to the 24 governor <u>by July 1st of each even-numbered year</u> including therein 25 suggestions for <u>public health priorities for the following biennium and</u> 26 such legislative action as it deems necessary.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 25. A new section is added to chapter 43.01 RCW to read as follows:
 - (1)(a) All reports required to be submitted to the legislature shall be provided only in an electronic format. Reports must be submitted electronically to the chief clerk of the house of representatives and the secretary of the senate. The chief clerk of the house of representatives and the secretary of the senate shall provide an online site for reports submitted to the legislature on the legislative internet home page. The reports shall be organized in such

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- (b) Upon electronic submittal of the required report to the chief clerk of the house of representatives and the secretary of the senate, the agency shall send a letter, also by electronic means, to the appropriate legislative committee that the report has been filed. The letter may include a brief summary of the report. The public entity submitting the report may make hard copies available by request.
- 9 (2)(a) All annual and biennial reports to the governor shall be 10 provided only in an electronic format. The reports shall be organized 11 in such a way as to make the reports easy to find and accessible by the 12 public.
- 13 (b) Upon electronic submittal of the required report to the 14 governor's office, the agency shall send a letter, also by electronic 15 means, that the report has been filed. The letter may include a brief 16 summary of the report. The entity submitting the report may make hard 17 copies available by request.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 26. Section 13 of this act expires June 30, 19 2039.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 27. Section 21 of this act expires June 30, 21 2016.

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