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By Senate Health & Long-Term Care (originally sponsored by Senators Fraser and Swecker)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to establishing the office of the health care 2 authority ombudsman; and adding a new section to chapter 48.02 RCW.
- 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 48.02 RCW to read as follows:
 - There is established, within the office of the insurance commissioner, the volunteer position of health care authority ombudsman to assist retirees enrolled in the public employees benefits board program. The volunteer position shall be trained as part of the existing volunteer training provided to the statewide health insurance benefit advisors. The position shall help retirees with questions and concerns, assist the public employees benefits board program with identification of retiree concerns, and maintain access to updated program information.

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