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- 1 AN ACT Relating to educational, cultural, and business exchange
- 2 programs; adding a new section to chapter 43.31 RCW; and creating a new
- 3 section.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** The legislature recognizes the importance of
- 6 educational, cultural, and business exchange programs in developing
- 7 mutually beneficial relationships between Washington state and other
- 8 countries. In order to promote trade and enhance international,
- 9 educational opportunities the legislature strongly encourages cities,
- 10 counties, ports, and others to establish sister school relationships
- 11 within their established sister relationships.
- 12 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 43.31 RCW
- 13 to read as follows:
- 14 The department of community, trade, and economic development in
- 15 consultation with the office of international relations and protocol
- 16 shall provide information and assist local governments in maintaining
- 17 their established sister relationships in other countries. The

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- 1 department shall encourage and promote the use of its services for this
- 2 purpose.

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