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1 AN ACT Relating to disputes between state agencies; and amending 2 RCW 43.17.330.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.17.330 and 1993 c 279 s 3 are each amended to read 5 as follows:

б Whenever a dispute arises between state agencies, agencies shall 7 employ every effort to resolve the dispute themselves without resorting These efforts shall involve alternative dispute to litigation. 8 9 resolution methods. If a dispute cannot be resolved by the agencies 10 involved, ((any one of the disputing agencies may request)) the governor $((t_{\Theta}))$ shall assist in the resolution of the dispute. 11 The governor shall employ whatever dispute resolution methods that the 12 13 governor deems appropriate in resolving the dispute. Such methods may 14 include, but are not limited to, the appointment by the governor of a 15 mediator, acceptable to the disputing agencies, to assist in the 16 resolution of the dispute. The governor may also request assistance

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1 from the attorney general to advise the mediator and the disputing

2 agencies.

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