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## HOUSE BILL 2835

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By Representatives Brown, Dickerson, Ogden, Chopp, Kessler, Patterson, Murray, Wolfe, Quall and Costa

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to mitigating potential funding reductions in the
- 2 head start program; creating a new section; and making an
- 3 appropriation.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the federal head
- 6 start program improves the lives of children and their parents through
- 7 education, nutrition, health, and social services available through the
- 8 program. The legislature further finds that proposed reductions from
- 9 the federal government threaten to reduce the size and effectiveness of
- 10 the head start program. The legislature intends to mitigate any
- 11 federal reductions to the head start program with state funds.
- 12 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** The sum of two million dollars, or as much
- 13 thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for the fiscal year ending
- 14 June 30, 1997, from the general fund to the department of community,
- 15 trade, and economic development to replace any federal funding
- 16 reductions to the head start program during the 1995-97 biennium.

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