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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 4411

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By Representatives Dyer and Conway

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- 1 WHEREAS, The average life expectancy for law enforcement officers
- 2 is fifty-seven years compared to seventy-one years for the general
- 3 population; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Law enforcement officers rank number one in heart disease,
- 5 hypertension, and diabetes; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Depression is four times the national average among law
- 7 enforcement officers; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Suicide among law enforcement officers is two to seven
- 9 times higher than the national average;
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the House of Representatives, 10
- the Senate concurring, That a joint select committee on law enforcement 11
- 12 mortality and diseases be established to study the mortality and
- 13 diseases suffered by law enforcement officers in the state of
- Washington and their causes; and 14
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee consist of members of 15
- 16 the House of Representatives health care committee and members of the
- 17 Senate health & long-term care committee; and

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- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee report to the
- 2 legislature by December 1997 on the study and possible legislative
- 3 action.

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