

# **HOUSE BILL ANALYSIS**

## **HB 1275**

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**Title:** *An act relating to the WorkFirst program participation exemption; and amending RCW 74.08A.270.*

**Brief Description:** *Modifying good cause reasons for failure to participate in the WorkFirst program.*

**Sponsors:** *Representatives D. Sommers, Tokuda, Kastama, Boldt, H. Sommers, Veloria, McIntire and Santos; by request of Department of Social and Health Services.*

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### **HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES**

**Meeting Date:** *February 3, 1999.*

**Bill Analysis Prepared by:** *David Knutson (786-7146).*

**Background:** *The WorkFirst program provides a good cause exemption from participating in program components for recipients with children under twelve months of age. After June 30, 1999, the exemption for a child will change from twelve months of age to three months of age.*

**Summary of Bill:** *The good cause exemption from participation in WorkFirst program components for recipients with a child at twelve months of age is continued.*

**Appropriation:** *None.*

**Fiscal Note:** *None requested.*

**Effective Date:** *Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.*