HOUSE BILL 2013

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By Representative Kagi

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1 AN ACT Relating to indemnifying individuals for good faith 2 investigations of child abuse or neglect or fatality reviews; and 3 adding a new section to chapter 26.44 RCW.

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

5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 26.44 RCW 6 to read as follows:

7 In cases involving a child abuse, neglect, or fatality review team 8 of volunteers, a team member acting in good faith and without gross 9 negligence in the performance of his or her duties shall be indemnified 10 by the state from claims arising out of the team's investigation. If 11 a claim is made against a team member, the plaintiff has the burden of 12 proving the member acted in bad faith.

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