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By Representatives Schual-Berke, Campbell, Cody, Edwards, Conway, Darneille, Lysen, Chase, Wood, Pflug and Kenney

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1 AN ACT Relating to federal waiver requests affecting the medical  
2 assistance program; and adding a new section to chapter 43.20A RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.20A RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) For section 1115 federal demonstration waiver requests that  
7 were submitted to the federal government prior to the effective date of  
8 this act, the department shall submit any approved waivers to the  
9 senate committee on health and long-term care and the house of  
10 representatives committee on health care for their consideration. The  
11 department shall provide the legislative committees with all necessary  
12 information to ensure a full public discussion of the implications and  
13 potential impacts of the waiver. The department shall include full  
14 details regarding the applicants and recipients to be affected by the  
15 proposed changes, the proposed changes in benefits, services,  
16 eligibility, enrollment and application processing, and cost-sharing,  
17 preexisting conditions and penalties, and an anticipated implementation  
18 date of the proposed changes.

1           (2) The department shall request legislative approval prior to  
2 implementing any section 1115 federal demonstration waivers modifying  
3 the medical assistance program that have been approved by the federal  
4 government.

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