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- 1 AN ACT Relating to the emergency administration of epinephrine; and
- 2 amending RCW 18.73.250.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 18.73.250 and 1999 c 337 s 4 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
- 6 (1) All of the state's ambulance and aid services shall make 7 epinephrine available to their emergency medical technicians in their
- 8 emergency care supplies. The emergency medical technician may
- 9 administer epinephrine to a patient of any age upon the presentation of
- 10 evidence of a prescription for epinephrine or to a patient under
- 11 eighteen years of age:
- 12 (a) Upon the request of the patient or his or her parent or
- 13 quardian; or
- 14 (b) Upon the request of a person who presents written authorization
- 15 from the patient or his or her parent or guardian making such a
- 16 request.
- 17 (2) Any emergency medical technician, emergency medical service, or
- 18 medical program director acting in good faith and in compliance with

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- 1 the provisions of this section shall not be liable for any civil
- 2 damages arising out of the furnishing or administration of epinephrine.
- 3 (3) Nothing in this section authorizes the administration of 4 epinephrine by a first responder.
- 5 ((4) This section shall expire December 31, 2001.))

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