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## SENATE BILL 6667

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By Senators Rasmussen, Swecker, Shin and Spanel

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to agricultural products purchased for state
- 2 institutions and state-supported facilities; adding a new section to
- 3 chapter 43.19 RCW; creating a new section; and declaring an emergency.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that state-produced
- 6 agricultural products are of the highest quality, transported the least
- 7 distance, and are the freshest agricultural products available in
- 8 Washington state. The legislature further finds that providing
- 9 improved markets for the richly diversified agricultural commodities
- 10 produced in Washington is needed to stabilize and enhance the rural and
- 11 agricultural economies in Washington.
- 12 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 43.19 RCW
- 13 to read as follows:
- 14 The director of general administration, through the state
- 15 purchasing and material control director, must require that, if
- 16 available and competitively priced, Washington fruit, vegetables, and
- 17 agricultural products be purchased for use in state institutions and
- 18 state-supported facilities.

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- 1  $\underline{\text{NEW SECTION.}}$  Sec. 3. This act is necessary for the immediate
- 2 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
- 3 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect

4 immediately.

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