WASHINGTON STATE PATROL CHIEF FOR A DAY PROGRAM

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By Senators Parlette and Becker; by request of Washington State Patrol

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1 AN ACT Relating to the Washington state patrol chief for a day
2 program; adding a new section to chapter 43.43 RCW; and creating a new
3 section.

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

5 NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The legislature finds that the Washington
6 state patrol's participation in charitable work, such as the chief for
7 a day program that provides special attention to chronically ill
8 children through recognition by various law enforcement agencies within
9 the state, advances the overall purposes of the department by promoting
10 positive relationships between law enforcement and the citizens of the
11 state of Washington.

12 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 43.43 RCW
13 to read as follows:
14 (1) To promote positive relationships between law enforcement and
15 the citizens of the state of Washington, the Washington state patrol
16 may participate in the chief for a day program. The chief of the
17 Washington state patrol may designate staff who may participate in
18 organizing the event. The Washington state patrol may accept grants of
funds and gifts to be utilized in furtherance of this purpose, and may use their public facilities for such purpose. At all times, the participation of the Washington state patrol must comply with chapter 42.52 RCW.

(2) For the purposes of this section, "chief for a day program" means a program in which the Washington state patrol partners with other local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies, hospitals, and the community to provide a day of special attention to chronically ill children. Each child is selected and sponsored by a law enforcement agency. The event, chief for a day, may occur on the grounds and in the facilities of the Washington state patrol. The program may include any appropriate honoring of the child as a chief, such as a certificate swearing them in as a chief, a badge, a uniform, and donated gifts. The gifts may include, but are not limited to, games, puzzles, and art supplies.

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