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1 AN ACT Relating to prenatal vitamin coverage; adding a new
2 section to chapter 74.09 RCW; and creating a new section.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** Research has shown that taking folic acid
5 before getting pregnant and in early pregnancy lowers the risk of
6 having a baby with certain birth defects. This research finding led
7 to the advice that all women who can get pregnant should take four
8 hundred micrograms of folic acid daily. The United States preventive
9 services task force recommends that all women planning or capable of
10 pregnancy take a daily supplement containing folic acid prior to
11 pregnancy.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 74.09
13 RCW to read as follows:

14 The authority shall provide prenatal vitamins for all women that
15 may become pregnant consistent with the United States preventive
16 services task force recommendations.

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