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3 By Committee on Human Services & Corrections

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5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
6 following:

7 **NEW SECTION.** **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.07 RCW
8 to read as follows:

9 (1) The secretary of state technical assistance grant is
10 established. The secretary of state shall distribute grant funds for
11 the benefit of nonprofit entities that provide human services under
12 contract to state agencies.

13 (2) To receive a technical assistance grant, an appropriate state
14 agency including contracting agencies and the state auditor, must
15 submit to the secretary of state a recommendation indicating that a
16 nonprofit entity needs technical assistance. A recommendation must
17 also indicate whether the assistance is crucial for the entity to
18 maintain adequate financial records, to comply with state or federal
19 law, or to avoid other impediments to the nonprofit entity's proper use
20 of funds to achieve the purposes set by state contract.

21 (3) The secretary of state shall convene a technical advisory
22 committee for the purpose of making suggestions regarding agency grant
23 recommendations, and grant awards. The technical advisory committee
24 shall additionally determine the categories of technical assistance
25 which will be made available to nonprofit entities that provide human
26 services under contract to state agencies.

27 The technical advisory committee shall include in its membership at
28 least one member representing nonprofit entities that provide human
29 services under contract to state agencies. The secretary of state
30 otherwise may decide the appropriate composition and number of members
31 to be seated on the technical advisory committee.

32 **NEW SECTION.** **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 43.07 RCW
33 to read as follows:

34 (1) Upon recommendation, the secretary of state may use funds
35 specifically appropriated to make grants to any state agency, county,

1 city, public entity, or private individual to provide technical
2 assistance to nonprofit entities that contract with the state. The
3 assistance should be administered to help the nonprofit entity provide
4 more effective services to the state agency with which it contracts and
5 to facilitate the nonprofit entity's self-sufficiency and successful
6 operation. Technical assistance categories will be defined by the
7 technical advisory committee.

8 (2) Any public entity receiving a grant under this chapter shall
9 not use the grant to supplant existing funding.

10 (3) In making grants, the secretary of state shall consider the
11 number of times the potential recipient has received previous grants,
12 and the dollar amount of previous amounts.

13 (4) The secretary of state may adopt rules to implement sections 1
14 and 2 of this act.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 43.07 RCW
16 to read as follows:

17 The secretary of state shall prepare a report on the status of the
18 program after one year of administration. The report shall include a
19 determination of whether the office of the secretary of state is the
20 appropriate governmental entity to be charged with operation of the
21 technical assistance grant program, and if not, which governmental
22 entity or entities would be appropriate. By November 1, 1999, the
23 secretary of state shall deliver the report to the house of
24 representatives and the senate.

25 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 39.29 RCW
26 to read as follows:

27 (1) The office of financial management may offer technical
28 assistance to agencies for improved management and administration of
29 agency contracting. The training may include the following subjects:

- 30 (a) Types and methods of contracting;
- 31 (b) Consultant selection;
- 32 (c) Performance standards and benchmarks, and performance audits;
- 33 (d) Financial recordkeeping and appropriate accounting measures;
- 34 (e) Any other subject related to effective contract management.

35 (2) The cost of technical services may be charged to the agency
36 served and must be paid to the office of financial management in the
37 same manner that other claims against the agency are paid.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** If any provision of this act or its
2 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the
3 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other
4 persons or circumstances is not affected.

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** If specific funding for the purposes of this
6 act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not provided by
7 June 30, 1998, in the omnibus appropriations act, this act is null and
8 void."

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12 On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "contractors;" strike the
13 remainder of the title and insert "adding new sections to chapter 43.07
14 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 39.29 RCW; and creating a new
15 section."

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