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By Senators Brandland and Hargrove

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- 1 On page 2, after line 7, insert the following:
- 2 "In any action under subsections (1)(a) or (b) of this section against
- 3 the state or a political subdivision thereof, the liability of the
- 4 <u>state or political subdivision shall be several and not joint.</u>"
- 5 On page 4, after line 21, insert the following:
- 6 "(5) In any action under subsections (2)(a) or (b) of this section
- 7 against the state or a political subdivision thereof, the liability of
- 8 the state or political subdivision shall be several and not joint."
- 9 On page 5, after line 26, insert the following:
- 10 "In any action under this section against the state or a political
- 11 <u>subdivision thereof</u>, where the claim is based on subsection (5)(b) of
- 12 this section, the liability of the state or political subdivision shall
- 13 <u>be several and not joint.</u>"
- On page 5, after line 26, insert the following:
- 15 "Sec. 5. RCW 4.22.030 and 1986 c 305 s 402 are each amended to read as
- 16 follows:
- 17 Except as otherwise provided in RCW 4.22.070, 4.20.020, 4.20.060,
- 18 and 4.24.010, if more than one person is liable to a claimant on an
- 19 indivisible claim for the same injury, death or harm, the liability of
- 20 such persons shall be joint and several."
- 21 Renumber the sections consecutively and correct internal references
- 22 accordingly.

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EFFECT: Joint and several liability does not apply to additional claims made against state and local agencies under the act.