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

7 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) The legislature finds that the  
8 population of teens in Washington state will be increasing through the  
9 mid-1990's, and that, in light of this increasing population, our state  
10 has a growing need for highly skilled and motivated workers that are  
11 members of healthy families. Therefore, Washington state cannot afford  
12 to lose any teens to substance abuse, teen pregnancy, juvenile crime,  
13 or dropping out of school. The legislature further finds that teens  
14 who drop out of school are two to three times more likely to live in  
15 poverty as adults. Teen mothers are less likely to finish high school,  
16 more likely to be separated or divorced, and more likely to live in  
17 poverty. Their children are more likely to exhibit lower academic  
18 achievement and to show a tendency to repeat their mother's pattern of  
19 early childbearing. Teens who abuse drugs and alcohol are more likely  
20 to be school drop outs and engage in criminal behavior.

21 (2) The legislature further finds that the most effective strategy  
22 to comprehensively meet the diverse needs of teens is through  
23 collaborative efforts of government agencies, youth service  
24 organizations, businesses, schools, parents, and teens to plan and  
25 provide services to teens.

26 (3) The legislature further finds that local communities are best  
27 able to determine the most appropriate design and location of programs  
28 to comprehensively and cooperatively support teens in their community.

1 (4) The purpose of this chapter is to equip teens with the  
2 resources, skills, knowledge, and motivation necessary to maintain a  
3 healthy lifestyle and successfully enter the job market or pursue  
4 higher education, through the establishment of community mobilization  
5 projects for teens in six pilot sites geographically distributed  
6 throughout the state."

7 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. Definitions. (1) "Department" means the  
8 department of social and health services.

9 (2) "Secretary" means the secretary of the department of social and  
10 health services.

11 (3) "Community" means an individual political subdivision of the  
12 state, a group of such political subdivisions, or a geographic area  
13 within a political subdivision."

14 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. (1) There is established in the  
15 department a community mobilization program for teens, which may fund  
16 and coordinate up to six community-based projects to develop targeted  
17 and coordinated strategies to meet the needs of teens.

18 (2) Applications for project funding under this chapter shall:

19 (a) Define the community requesting funding;

20 (b) Contain evidence of the active participation of public and  
21 private entities in the community, including the various communities of  
22 color, that are now providing, or might appropriately provide, services  
23 to teens, including, at a minimum, schools, law enforcement, local  
24 government, libraries, youth services agencies and organizations, job  
25 training organizations, mental health, and health care providers;

26 (c) Demonstrate establishment of a project advisory board composed  
27 of teens, parents, and representatives of a broad cross-section of  
28 other community members who have an interest in meeting the needs of

1 teens, and assure that the advisory board has been consulted in  
2 development of the application;

3 (d) Designate a lead agency or organization for the project, and  
4 provide evidence of written interagency agreements with existing youth  
5 service organizations to carry out project activities. The agency or  
6 organization designated as lead agency shall have demonstrated  
7 sensitivity and responsiveness to the plurality of community values and  
8 the cultural and ethnic heritage of community members;

9 (e) Identify a project site that is accessible to teens during  
10 evenings and weekends, from which services and activities can be  
11 provided or referrals made;

12 (f) Describe the services and activities that will be undertaken by  
13 the project, including identification of specific services and  
14 activities for which funding is requested. Core services provided at  
15 each project site shall include, at a minimum: Health screening and  
16 referrals; employment search and job training; mental health  
17 counseling; substance abuse treatment; and family counseling. Health  
18 screening and referrals shall not include the dispensing of  
19 contraceptives. Referrals of pregnant teens for health care services  
20 shall be to persons, agencies, or organizations with maternity care  
21 services practices that primarily emphasize healthy birth outcomes.  
22 Projects may address other local service needs such as drop-out  
23 prevention, substance abuse prevention, inpatient substance abuse  
24 treatment, additional support services for teen parents, literacy  
25 programs, and recreational activities, by offering those services at  
26 the project site or through referrals to community organizations;

27 (g) Describe the coordinated system for meeting the needs of teens  
28 that the community will develop, including a description of how the  
29 proposed system will build upon existing services and existing  
30 community efforts to coordinate the delivery of services to teens;

1 (h) Identify community matching funds, as provided in section 4 of  
2 this act, that have been committed to the project; and

3 (i) Provide assurances that the project will cooperate, through the  
4 provision of requested data and information, with the evaluation  
5 provided for in section 6 of this act."

6 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. (1) The secretary may issue grants for  
7 community mobilization projects for teens. Grants shall be made  
8 competitively based upon information provided in applications for  
9 funding. To the greatest extent practicable, grants shall be  
10 geographically distributed throughout the state.

11 (2) The department shall provide a staff person to administer and  
12 coordinate the program established under this chapter, and shall  
13 provide technical assistance to communities applying for or receiving  
14 funds under this chapter.

15 (3) Technical assistance provided by the department shall include  
16 the identification of means to creatively blend categorical funds, to  
17 the extent not prohibited by federal law, in a manner that allows  
18 teens' needs to determine the services they will receive.

19 (4) Twenty-five percent of the funding for projects under this  
20 chapter shall be community matching funds provided by private or public  
21 entities in the communities requesting funding. Contributions of  
22 materials, supplies, or physical facilities may be considered as all or  
23 part of the funding provided by the communities."

24 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. Community mobilization projects for  
25 teens shall have an initial duration of two years. To the extent  
26 funding is available, projects may be renewed for an additional two-  
27 year period by the department."

1        "NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 6.**        The department shall contract with an  
2 independent entity to evaluate the effectiveness of the program  
3 established in this chapter. The evaluation shall develop standards  
4 for measuring the success of community mobilization projects,  
5 considering factors such as school completion, employment, and teen  
6 pregnancy rates. The department shall submit an evaluation report to  
7 appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 1994, and  
8 biennially thereafter."

9        "NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 7.**        If any provision of this act or its  
10 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the  
11 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other  
12 persons or circumstances is not affected."

13       "NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 8.**        If any part of this act is found to be  
14 in conflict with federal requirements that are a prescribed condition  
15 to the allocation of federal funds to the state, the conflicting part  
16 of this act is inoperative solely to the extent of the conflict and  
17 with respect to the agencies directly affected, and this finding does  
18 not affect the operation of the remainder of this act in its  
19 application to the agencies concerned. The rules under this act shall  
20 meet federal requirements that are a necessary condition to the receipt  
21 of federal funds by the state."

22       "NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 9.**        Sections 1 through 6 of this act shall  
23 constitute a new chapter in Title 74 RCW."

24       "NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 10.**       If by June 30, 1991, the omnibus  
25 operating budget appropriations act for the 1991-93 biennium does not

1 provide specific funding for this act, referencing this act by bill  
2 number, this act is null and void."

3 **SHB 1390** - H COMM AMD  
4 By Committee on Appropriations

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6 On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "teens;" strike the remainder  
7 of the title and insert "adding a new chapter to Title 74 RCW; and  
8 creating new sections."