SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1544

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By House Committee on Financial Institutions & Insurance (originally sponsored by Representatives Dellwo, R. Meyers, Paris, R. Johnson, Winsley and Wang; by request of Insurance Commissioner).

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to third party administrators for insurance; and
- 2 creating a new section.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** The commissioner shall conduct a study
- 5 of regulatory policies relating to third party administrators. In
- 6 conducting this study, the commissioner shall convene periodic meetings
- 7 with interested parties including but not limited to the following:
- 8 Insurers, health care service contractors, health maintenance
- 9 organizations, employers, third party administrators, multiple employer
- 10 trusts and similar entities, and agents and brokers licensed to sell
- 11 life, disability, property, or casualty insurance. The commissioner
- 12 shall report the findings resulting from the study, together with any
- 13 proposed legislation, to the financial institutions and insurance
- 14 committees of the house and senate not later than December 1, 1991. In
- 15 preparing the report required by this section, the commissioner shall

- 1 fully consider the positions and recommendations of all interested
- 2 parties. The commissioner shall review with interested parties model
- 3 legislation developed by the national association of insurance
- 4 commissioners, measures adopted or considered by other states which are
- 5 of appropriate interest, and draft language submitted by interested
- 6 parties. This section shall expire on January 1, 1992.