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- 1 AN ACT Relating to athletic leadership positions for women; adding
- 2 new sections to chapter 28B.50 RCW; and creating a new section.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 The legislature finds that (1) the NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. 5 implementation of Title IX of the education amendments of 1972 has resulted in dramatically expanding the opportunities for women and 6 girls to participate in sports; (2) there has been a dramatic decrease, however, in the number of women coaches, athletic administrators, and 8 sports officials; (3) the current percentage of women in athletic 9 10 leadership positions does not accurately reflect the number of women available for leadership positions; (4) the number of female coaches, 11 12 athletic administrators, and sports officials is disproportionate to 13 the number of women and girls involved in intramural, interscholastic, 14 and intercollegiate athletics; (5) young men and women will benefit by 15 having role models of women successfully holding athletic leadership 16 positions; (6) there are women who are capable and qualified to hold 17 leadership positions; (7) the number of women in athletic leadership positions will not increase unless concerted efforts are made on their 18

Therefore, it is the intent of the legislature to create a

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- 1 sports clearinghouse for dissemination of information regarding
- 2 athletic leadership opportunities to qualified women candidates.
- 3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** The state board for community and technical
- 4 colleges shall establish an information clearinghouse for recruiting
- 5 women as coaches, assistant coaches, athletic directors, and athletic
- 6 administrators. The clearinghouse shall be used by coaches, athletic
- 7 associations, common schools, and public and private institutions of
- 8 higher education in Washington state. The services of the
- 9 clearinghouse shall include:
- 10 (1) Collection of information on coaching vacancies in common
- 11 schools and public and private institutions of higher education;
- 12 (2) Collection and provision of information on potential women
- 13 candidates to institutions, athletic directors, coaches, and athletic
- 14 associations;
- 15 (3) Publication of notices of vacancies in athletic leadership
- 16 positions to qualified women candidates; and
- 17 (4) Coordinating the dissemination of information between women
- 18 candidates, common schools, institutions, coaches, athletic directors,
- 19 and athletic associations.
- 20 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** In establishing the information
- 21 clearinghouse, the state board for community and technical colleges
- 22 shall consult with four-year institutions of higher education, the
- 23 superintendent of public instruction, the council of presidents,
- 24 athletic associations, and community sports programs.
- 25 NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. The state board for community and technical
- 26 colleges may contract with a private association to provide the
- 27 clearinghouse service and charge a fee to participants in the program
- 28 to cover administrative costs.
- 29 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 5.** The state board for community and technical
- 30 colleges shall submit an annual report to the legislature that includes
- 31 but is not limited to:
- 32 (1) An analysis of the athletic leadership opportunities for women
- 33 in Washington state. The analysis should include but not be limited
- 34 to, the number of vacancies that occurred, where they occurred, the
- 35 number of candidates referred, and outcomes;

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- 1 (2) A summary of the activities of the clearinghouse for the 2 preceding year, including services provided and to whom the services 3 were provided;
- 4 (3) Recommendations for improving dissemination of information to 5 girls and women interested in athletic leadership positions; and
- 6 (4) Recommendations for increasing opportunities for girls and 7 women in athletic leadership positions.
- 8 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 6.** Sections 2 through 5 of this act are each 9 added to chapter 28B.50 RCW.

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