## SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1561

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By House Committee on Human Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Brown, Wolfe, Thibaudeau, Mastin, J. Kohl, H. Myers, Johanson, Romero, Leonard, Karahalios and L. Johnson)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to preschools; and creating a new section.
- 2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The safety, health, welfare, and quality of
- 4 care and early education is critically important to the well-being of
- 5 young children. Educational programs that enroll preschool children
- 6 for four or fewer hours per day are exempted from requirements of
- 7 chapter 74.15 RCW. Therefore, the legislature intends to bring such
- 8 programs under state regulatory authority consistent with other child
- 9 care and early childhood programs by 1998.
- 10 The child care coordinating committee established under RCW
- 11 74.13.090 shall develop a phase-in strategy with specific
- 12 recommendations and impact statements and report these recommendations
- 13 and findings to the legislature by December 1, 1994. In developing
- 14 these recommendations, the child care coordinating committee shall
- 15 involve programs serving preschool children.

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