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By Representatives Hansen, Chandler, Vance, Campbell, Sheldon, Brough, Horn, Schoesler, Roland, Miller, Long, Edmondson, Morton and Dyer

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1 AN ACT Relating to a hiring freeze within state government;
2 creating a new section; providing an effective date; providing an
3 expiration date; and declaring an emergency.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1)(a) Except under subsection (2) of this
6 section, the number of employees employed by each agency of state
7 government shall not exceed the actual employment level of the agency
8 on July 1, 1993, for all employee positions paid for, in full or in
9 part, with funds from the state general fund.

10 (b) Except under subsection (2) of this section, beginning July 1,
11 1993, each agency of state government is prohibited from hiring
12 replacements for employees who leave the agency regardless of the
13 reason. This prohibition attaches to all employee positions paid for,
14 in full or in part, with funds from the state general fund.

15 (2) The only exceptions to subsection (1) of this section are as
16 follows:

17 (a) Positions that through vendor charge-outs recover funds back
18 into the state general fund that more than offset the cost of the
19 positions;

1 (b) Service positions within correctional facilities and state
2 hospitals that are necessary to maintain full security or service
3 levels. Service positions include corrections guards and nurses, but
4 do not include any management positions; and

5 (c) Positions that the governor, and not the governor's designee,
6 declares necessary for the continuation of essential public services.
7 The governor must make a separate declaration for each exception.

8 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act expires on June 30, 1995.

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** This act is necessary for the immediate
10 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
11 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
12 effect July 1, 1993.

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