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1 AN ACT Relating to children and family services; amending RCW
2 74.14A.020, 70.190.005, 70.190.010, 70.190.030, and 74.14A.050; adding
3 a new section to chapter 43.131 RCW; adding new sections to chapter
4 70.190 RCW; making an appropriation; and declaring an emergency.

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

6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 74.14A.020 and 1983 c 192 s 2 are each amended to read
7 as follows:

8 ((The department of social and health services)) State efforts
9 shall address the needs of children and their families, including
10 emotionally disturbed ((and)), developmentally disabled, and mentally
11 ill children, potentially dependent children, and families-in-conflict
12 by:

13 (1) Serving children and families as a unit in the least
14 restrictive setting available and in close proximity to the family
15 homes, consistent with the best interests and special needs of the
16 child;

17 (2) Ensuring that appropriate social and health services are
18 provided to the family unit both prior to the removal of a child from
19 the home and after the family ((reunification)) is reunited;

1 (3) Ensuring that the safety and best interests of the child are
2 the paramount considerations when making placement and service delivery
3 decisions;

4 (4) Recognizing the interdependent and changing nature of families
5 and communities, building upon inherent family strengths, maintaining
6 their dignity and respect, and tailoring programs to their specific
7 circumstances;

8 (5) Developing and implementing comprehensive, preventive, and
9 early intervention social and health services which ((have
10 demonstrated)) demonstrate the ability to delay or reduce the need for
11 out-of-home placements and ameliorate problems before they become
12 chronic or severe;

13 ((+4)) (6) Being sensitive to the family and community culture,
14 norms, values, and expectations, ensuring that all services are
15 accessible and are provided in a culturally competent and relevant
16 manner, and ensuring participation of racial and ethnic minorities at
17 all levels of planning, delivery, and evaluation efforts;

18 (7)(a) Developing coordinated ((social and health)) services for
19 children and families which:

20 ((+a)) (i) Identify problems experienced by children and their
21 families early and provide services which are adequate in availability,
22 appropriate to the situation, and effective;

23 ((+b)) (ii) Seek to bring about meaningful change before family
24 situations become irreversibly destructive and before disturbed
25 psychological behavioral patterns and health problems become severe or
26 permanent;

27 ((+c)) (iii) Serve children and families in their own homes thus
28 preventing unnecessary out-of-home placement or institutionalization;

29 ((+d)) (iv) Focus resources on ((social and health)) problems as
30 they begin to manifest themselves rather than waiting for chronic and
31 severe patterns of illness, criminality, and dependency to develop
32 which require long-term treatment, maintenance, or custody;

33 ((+e)) (v) Reduce duplication of and gaps in service delivery;

34 ((+f)) (vi) Improve planning, budgeting, and communication among
35 ((all units of the department)) state and local agencies serving
36 children and families; and

37 ((+g) Develop) (vii) Use outcome standards for measuring the
38 effectiveness of ((social and health)) services for children and
39 families.

1 (b) In developing services under this subsection, local communities
2 shall be partners with the state in planning, developing, implementing,
3 and administering support systems that are tailored to their unique
4 needs.

5 **Sec. 2.** RCW 70.190.005 and 1992 c 198 s 1 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 The legislature finds that a primary goal of public involvement in
8 the lives of children has been to strengthen the family unit.

9 However, the legislature recognizes that traditional two-parent
10 families with one parent routinely at home are now in the minority. In
11 addition, extended family and natural community supports have eroded
12 drastically. The legislature recognizes that public policy assumptions
13 must be altered to account for this new social reality. Public effort
14 must be redirected to expand, support, strengthen, and help refashion
15 family and ~~((community associations))~~ communities to care for children.

16 The legislature finds that a broad variety of services for children
17 and families has been independently designed over the years and that
18 the coordination and cost-effectiveness of these services will be
19 enhanced through the adoption of ~~((a common))~~ an approach ~~((to their~~
20 ~~delivery))~~ that allows communities to prioritize and coordinate
21 services to meet their local needs. The legislature further finds that
22 the most successful programs for reaching and working with at-risk
23 families and children treat individuals' problems in the context of the
24 family, offer a broad spectrum of services, are flexible in the use of
25 program resources, and use staff who are trained in crossing
26 traditional program categories in order to broker services necessary to
27 fully meet a family's needs.

28 The legislature further finds that eligibility criteria,
29 expenditure restrictions, and reporting requirements of state and
30 federal categorical programs often create barriers toward the effective
31 use of resources for addressing the multiple problems of at-risk
32 families and children.

33 The purposes of this chapter are (1) to modify public policy and
34 programs to empower communities to support and respond to the needs of
35 individual families and children ~~((and))~~; (2) to improve the
36 responsiveness of services for children and families at risk by
37 facilitating greater coordination and flexibility in the use of funds
38 by state and local services agencies; (3) to establish a children and

1 family services system that utilizes and integrates resources available
2 at the state, regional, local, and community levels; (4) to redirect
3 state resources by building upon local efforts already in place to
4 accomplish the purposes of chapter . . . , Laws of 1994 (this act); (5)
5 to bring together representatives of the broadest range possible of
6 local agencies, organizations and individuals to develop an integrated
7 children and family services system at the local level; (6) to provide
8 data on unmet need and emerging issues that may require further state
9 and local action; and (7) to partially decentralize and reconfigure
10 children and family services, which may include those currently
11 administered by the department of social and health services, the
12 department of community, trade, and economic development, the
13 department of health, the employment security department, and the
14 office of the superintendent of public instruction. Selected state-
15 administered services shall be administered by community family
16 councils so families can better access services to prevent or intervene
17 early in risks to youth.

18 **Sec. 3.** RCW 70.190.010 and 1992 c 198 s 3 are each amended to read
19 as follows:

20 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in
21 this section apply throughout this chapter.

22 (1) "Comprehensive plan" or "plan" means a two-year plan that
23 examines available resources and unmet needs for a county or
24 multicounty area, identifies barriers that limit the effective use of
25 resources, and (~~a plan to address these issues that is broadly~~
26 ~~supported~~)) designs an integrated system of services for children and
27 families, as provided in RCW 70.190.030. The plan shall include
28 consideration of the public health services improvement plan under RCW
29 43.70.520 and other official public health assessments conducted by
30 state and local health departments and districts.

31 (2) "Participating state agencies" means the office of the
32 superintendent of public instruction, the department of social and
33 health services, the department of health, the employment security
34 department, the department of community, trade, and economic
35 development, the department of corrections, the office of financial
36 management, and such other departments as may be specifically
37 designated by the governor.

1 (3) "Family policy council" or "council" means the superintendent
2 of public instruction, the secretary of social and health services, the
3 secretary of health, the commissioner of the employment security
4 department, and the director of the department of community, trade, and
5 economic development, the secretary of the department of corrections,
6 the director of the office of financial management, or their designees,
7 one legislator from each caucus of the senate and house of
8 representatives, ~~((and))~~ one representative of the governor, one
9 representative each from counties, cities or towns, and school
10 districts appointed respectively by the Washington state association of
11 counties, the association of Washington cities, and the Washington
12 school directors association, two representatives of children and
13 family services providers, two citizens with a demonstrated interest in
14 children, and two representatives of the business community as
15 appointed by the governor who have a demonstrated interest in children.

16 (4) "Outcome based" means defined and measurable outcomes and
17 indicators that make it possible for communities to evaluate progress
18 in meeting their goals and whether systems are fulfilling their
19 responsibilities.

20 (5) "Matching funds" means an amount no less than twenty-five
21 percent of the amount budgeted for a ~~((consortium's project))~~ community
22 council. Up to half of the ~~((consortium's))~~ community council's
23 matching funds may be in-kind goods and services. Funding sources
24 allowable for match include appropriate federal or local levy funds,
25 private charitable funding, and other charitable giving. Basic
26 education funds shall not be used as a match.

27 (6) ~~((Consortium))~~ Community family council or "community
28 council" means an entity, other than a state agency, composed of a
29 diverse group of individuals whose membership may not exceed twenty-
30 five individuals and that may include~~((s at least))~~ representatives of
31 business, labor, local law and justice councils established under RCW
32 72.09.300, local service providers, ~~((service recipients, local~~
33 ~~government administering or funding children or family service~~
34 ~~programs,))~~ regional support networks, parents, including parents who
35 have participated in services, youth, cities or towns, regional offices
36 of participating state agencies, school districts, existing children's
37 commissions or other formal children and families task forces, ethnic
38 and racial minority ~~((populations,))~~ communities, Indian tribes, local
39 health departments and districts, other community organizations

1 providing support to families, such as religious institutions and
2 neighborhood organizations, and other interested persons organized for
3 the purpose of designing and providing collaborative and coordinated
4 services under this chapter. (~~Consortiums~~) The community council
5 shall represent a county(~~(7)~~) or multicounty(~~(7 or municipal)~~) service
6 area. In addition, (~~consortiums~~) a community council may represent
7 Indian tribes applying either individually or collectively. The chair
8 shall be selected from among the council's members.

9 (7) "Case management" means a service delivery method that provides
10 easy access to the system and, where appropriate, development of a case
11 plan for a child and his or her family, and service brokering between
12 the family and service providers.

13 NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. (1) A children and family services system is
14 hereby established to integrate federal, state, and local resources and
15 programs to provide services that children and families need to be
16 healthy members of their community.

17 (2) The children and family services system shall be developed
18 through a state and local partnership, consisting of the state's family
19 policy council and community family councils established pursuant to
20 section 8 of this act.

21 (3) The children and family services system shall be developed
22 utilizing the following guidelines:

23 (a) The system shall be built upon the policies stated in RCW
24 74.14A.025 and 70.190.005;

25 (b) Actions taken to decategorize or decentralize children and
26 family services programs or funding shall demonstrate how consumers of
27 the services will benefit;

28 (c) The system shall be fully operational no later than January 1,
29 2000. The family policy council, in consultation with community family
30 councils, shall develop a schedule for phasing in elements of the
31 system with measurable outcomes;

32 (d) All aspects of the system shall ensure that the individual
33 child and family's needs for coordinated and accessible services are
34 placed above all other considerations;

35 (e) Contracting mechanisms shall promote coordination and
36 integration of services and reflect the partnership between state and
37 local entities in operation of the system; and

1 (f) Contracting mechanisms shall encourage financial and quality-
2 of-service competition among service providers.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** (1) Beginning July 30, 1994, the family
4 policy council shall recognize community family councils meeting the
5 requirements of this chapter. The family policy council shall provide
6 technical assistance and start-up funds to targeted community family
7 councils in accordance with this chapter beginning August 31, 1994.

8 (2) The family policy council shall develop criteria to target
9 community family councils for initial development of comprehensive
10 plans and proposals.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** (1) Community family councils may submit
12 initial proposals and recommendations to the family policy council by
13 October 30, 1994, regarding local administration or decategorization of
14 family services. Based on the proposals submitted by community family
15 councils, by December 1, 1994, the family policy council shall
16 recommend to the governor those children and family services to be
17 decentralized for local administration or decategorization. Such
18 services shall not include child protective services or other state-
19 wide services in which the state has a vested interest in state-wide
20 uniformity and that are necessarily the state's responsibility. By
21 January 1, 1995, the governor shall submit legislation to appropriate
22 committees of the legislature making the statutory and budgetary
23 changes necessary to implement chapter . . . , Laws of 1994 (this act).

24 (2) Community family councils that do not submit their proposed
25 comprehensive plan under subsection (1) of this section shall submit
26 proposed comprehensive plans to the family policy council by March 1,
27 1995, or March 1, 1996. If a county or Indian tribe is not represented
28 by a community family council or multicounty councils, the family
29 policy council shall provide further assistance to create a community
30 family council in conjunction with the county. If a county or Indian
31 tribe is unable or unwilling to assume the powers and duties of a
32 community family council under this chapter by June 30, 1997, the
33 family policy council shall designate a single state agency to
34 administer funds otherwise transferred to community family councils
35 through legislative action.

1 **Sec. 7.** RCW 70.190.030 and 1992 c 198 s 5 are each amended to read
2 as follows:

3 ~~((1))~~ The family policy council shall ~~((annually solicit from~~
4 ~~consortiums proposals to facilitate greater flexibility, coordination,~~
5 ~~and responsiveness of services at the community level.))~~:

6 (1) Be responsible for state-wide planning and policy development
7 for services to children and families, in consultation with community
8 councils;

9 (2) Advise the legislature and the governor concerning possible
10 solutions to problems facing children and families;

11 (3) Define specific outcome-based standards addressing at least the
12 following areas: (a) Family self-sufficiency and stability; (b) family
13 functioning and safety; (c) family health; (d) readiness for school;
14 and (e) youth at risk. Review and evaluation of comprehensive plans
15 shall be based primarily upon the extent to which the system described
16 in the plan is likely to meet or had met these outcome-based standards;

17 (4) Determine the core services that community councils must
18 address and assure that each comprehensive plan contains assurances
19 that these services will be provided. A proposed list of core services
20 shall be included in the legislation submitted pursuant to section 6 of
21 this act;

22 (5) Review and approve or disapprove comprehensive plans submitted
23 by community councils. The council shall consider such ~~((proposals))~~
24 proposed plans only if:

25 (a) ~~((A comprehensive))~~ The plan has been prepared by ~~((the~~
26 consortium)) a community family council; ~~((and))~~

27 (b) The plan reflects the principles in RCW 74.14A.025 and
28 70.190.005;

29 (c) The ~~((consortium))~~ community family council has identified and
30 agreed to contribute matching funds as specified in RCW 70.190.010;
31 ~~((and~~

32 ~~(c) An interagency agreement has been prepared by the family policy~~
33 ~~council and the participating local service and support agencies that~~
34 ~~governs the use of funds, specifies the relationship of the project to~~
35 ~~the principles listed in RCW 74.14A.025, and identifies specific~~
36 ~~outcomes and indicators; and))~~

37 (d) ~~((Funds are to be used to provide support or services needed to~~
38 implement a family's or child's case plan that are not otherwise

1 adequately available through existing categorical services or community
2 programs; [and]

3 ~~(e))~~ The plan identifies specific outcomes and strategies for
4 meeting them for its county or multicounty region related to the
5 standards established pursuant to subsection (3) of this section;

6 (e) The plan contains assurances that the core services identified
7 pursuant to subsection (4) of this section will be available;

8 (f) The plan identifies existing interagency efforts or entities
9 addressing children and family services issues in the county or
10 multicounty region, and describes how such efforts will be incorporated
11 into the system established through the plan;

12 ~~(g) The ((consortium has provided written agreements that~~
13 ~~identify))~~ plan identifies a lead agency that will assume fiscal and
14 programmatic responsibility for the project(, —and— identify
15 participants in a consortium council with broad participation and that
16 shall have responsibility for ensuring effective coordination of
17 resources; and));

18 ~~((f))~~ (h) Assurances are made regarding the quality and
19 accessibility of services to underserved populations;

20 (i) Evaluation methodologies consistent with the requirements of
21 this chapter are used; and

22 (j) The ((consortium)) community family council has designed into
23 its comprehensive plan standards for accountability. Accountability
24 standards include, but are not limited to, the public hearing process
25 eliciting public comment about the appropriateness of the proposed
26 comprehensive plan. The ((consortium)) community family council must
27 submit reports to the family policy council outlining the public
28 response regarding the appropriateness and effectiveness of the
29 comprehensive plan((-));

30 ~~((2) The family policy council may submit a prioritized list of~~
31 ~~projects recommended for funding in the governor's budget document.~~

32 ~~(3) The participating state agencies shall identify funds to~~
33 ~~implement the proposed projects from budget requests or existing~~
34 ~~appropriations for services to children and their families.))~~

35 (6) Enter into contracts with designated lead agencies of community
36 family councils upon approval of their comprehensive plan as provided
37 in section 9 of this act;

38 (7) Establish a uniform system of reporting and collecting
39 statistical data from counties and other agencies serving children and

1 families with the department of health taking the lead as the state
2 repository of this data;

3 (8) In conjunction with participating state agencies, provide
4 technical assistance to community councils in comprehensive plan
5 development. Such assistance shall include, but is not limited to
6 information regarding the use of federal and state funds, development
7 of the capacity needed to offer services in the approved comprehensive
8 plan dissemination of data and relevant research;

9 (9) Monitor the progress in meeting outcome-based standards in the
10 comprehensive plans;

11 (10) Negotiate federal waivers as necessary; and

12 (11) Beginning on January 1, 1996, make twice yearly reports to the
13 governor and the appropriate legislative committees of the following:

14 (a) The status of the children's service system in all counties;

15 (b) The progress in services provided by the state;

16 (c) Services identified for funding at or transfer to the local
17 level; and

18 (d) Recommended statutory changes to improve delivery of children
19 and family services.

20 NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. A community family council shall be
21 established in each county of the state, except that two or more
22 counties may join together to establish a multicounty council,
23 according to the following process:

24 (1) No later than July 1, 1994, the county legislative authority
25 shall convene a meeting of a diverse group of individuals interested in
26 designing and providing coordinated services to children and their
27 families. At a minimum, representatives of the following groups must
28 be invited: Business, labor, local law and justice councils
29 established under RCW 72.09.300, local children and family service
30 providers including community action agencies, regional support
31 networks, parents, including parents who have participated in services,
32 youth, cities or towns, regional offices of participating state
33 agencies, school districts, existing children's commissions or other
34 formal children and families task forces, ethnic and racial minority
35 populations, Indian tribes, local health departments and districts, and
36 other community organizations providing support to families, such as
37 religious institutions and neighborhood associations.

1 (2) The purpose of the meeting is to decide what groups other than
2 those required by chapter . . . , Laws of 1994 (this act) should serve
3 on the community council and to solicit nominations for the community
4 council from the various groups represented at the meeting. Each group
5 to be represented shall select its own representative. If, however, a
6 particular group whose representation is required on the community
7 council cannot agree on a nominee or is not represented at the meeting,
8 the community council's chair shall select the nominee. The
9 participants shall decide whether they wish to be recognized as a
10 community family council by the family policy council and authorize a
11 letter of interest to be submitted to the council beginning July 30,
12 1994. If a county fails to convene a meeting by July 1, 1994, the
13 family policy council may authorize an alternative local organization
14 to convene the meeting.

15 (3) This meeting and all meetings of the community council are
16 subject to the open meetings act under chapter 42.30 RCW.

17 (4) The first meeting of the community council shall occur no later
18 than September 1, 1994.

19 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 9.** The community family council shall:

20 (1) Promote wellness for children and families in the county or
21 multicounty region, develop policy, and oversee the development and
22 implementation of the comprehensive plan. In designing the plan,
23 councils shall consider the use of uniform assessment and service
24 application forms, case management services, and centralized
25 information and referral services.

26 (2) Conduct a needs assessment and review existing children and
27 family services.

28 (3) Prepare the comprehensive plan and such later amendments to the
29 plan as are necessary. The plan shall be submitted to the board,
30 council, or boards of county commissioners for review prior to
31 submission to the family policy council. The response of the board,
32 council, or board of county commissioners to the plan shall be
33 submitted to the family policy council with the plan. The community
34 council shall monitor progress of key outcomes related to the county or
35 multicounty plan.

36 (4) Adopt calendar year budgets for the community council within
37 the funds available and forward them to the lead agency.

1 (5) Make interim recommendations to state and local agencies on how
2 services might be improved in the interim until the final comprehensive
3 plan is adopted.

4 (6) Make recommendations to the family policy council, including
5 recommendations on contracting procedures and processes.

6 (7) Request waivers from the family policy council.

7 (8) Provide an opportunity for public and private contractors to
8 review the components of the plan, to receive notice of any component
9 that the county intends to provide through a county agency and to
10 comment publicly to the county board, council, or boards of
11 commissioners if they disagree with the proposed service delivery plan.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 10.** The designated lead agency of the community
13 family council may solicit, accept, and receive federal, state, or
14 private funds or property for the purpose of carrying out the
15 provisions of chapter . . . , Laws of 1994 (this act).

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 11.** The family policy council shall:

17 (1) Transfer administration of, and funding for children and family
18 services appropriated by the legislature to designated lead agencies of
19 community family councils upon approval of their comprehensive plans in
20 accordance with the distribution formula established under section 12
21 of this act. In areas where two or more counties have formed a
22 multicounty region, the region shall not receive less as a region than
23 it would have received if each county had established its own council;

24 (2) Enter into contracts with designated lead agencies of community
25 family councils prior to the distribution of program funds. The
26 contracts shall ensure that:

27 (a) The intent of this chapter is pursued;

28 (b) Coordination within and across counties is maximized;

29 (c) Community family councils have access to sufficient and timely
30 data to make informed and equitable funding decisions; and

31 (d) Community family councils are notified of their allocation of
32 available resources at least sixty days before the start of a new
33 contract period, if the state budget act is signed.

34 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 12.** (1) By June 1, 1995, the family policy
35 council, in consultation with participating state agencies and affected
36 parties, shall establish a distribution formula for funding designated

1 by the legislature to be administered by community family councils.
2 The formula should reflect local needs assessments and consider at a
3 minimum:

4 (a) The number of children;

5 (b) The number of children in out-of-home placements;

6 (c) The number of recipients of aid to families with dependent
7 children;

8 (d) The number of child protective services cases ranked according
9 to risk;

10 (e) The rate of convictions for violent offenses for juveniles;

11 (f) Social and economic indicators including poverty, low income,
12 hunger, and homelessness;

13 (g) The number of convictions for crimes against children;

14 (h) The number of convictions for crimes related to illegal drug
15 and alcohol use;

16 (i) The number of child and teenage suicides;

17 (j) The school dropout rate;

18 (k) The number of children receiving mental health services as
19 reported by regional support networks; and

20 (l) The number of ethnic minority children and children with
21 disabilities.

22 (2) The family policy council shall ensure that funds distributed
23 to community family councils include direct and indirect resources
24 allocated for transferred family services.

25 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 13.** Any state or federal funds identified for
26 contracts with community family councils shall be transferred with no
27 reductions and shall from the date of transfer receive the same cost of
28 living adjustments that are appropriated for state employees' wages.

29 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 14.** The family policy council may solicit,
30 accept, and receive federal, state, or private funds or property for
31 the purpose of carrying out the provisions of chapter . . . , Laws of
32 1994 (this act).

33 **Sec. 15.** RCW 74.14A.050 and 1993 c 508 s 7 are each amended to
34 read as follows:

35 The secretary shall:

1 (1)(a) Consult with relevant qualified professionals to develop a
2 set of minimum guidelines to be used for identifying all children who
3 are in a state-assisted support system, whether at-home or out-of-home,
4 who are likely to need long-term care or assistance, because they face
5 physical, emotional, medical, mental, or other long-term challenges;

6 (b) The guidelines must, at a minimum, consider the following
7 criteria for identifying children in need of long-term care or
8 assistance:

9 (i) Placement within the foster care system for two years or more;

10 (ii) Multiple foster care placements;

11 (iii) Repeated unsuccessful efforts to be placed with a permanent
12 adoptive family;

13 (iv) Chronic behavioral or educational problems;

14 (v) Repetitive criminal acts or offenses;

15 (vi) Failure to comply with court-ordered disciplinary actions and
16 other imposed guidelines of behavior, including drug and alcohol
17 rehabilitation; and

18 (vii) Chronic physical, emotional, medical, mental, or other
19 similar conditions necessitating long-term care or assistance;

20 (2) Along with community family councils, develop programs that are
21 necessary for the long-term care of children and youth that are
22 identified for the purposes of this section. Programs must: (a)
23 Effectively address the educational, physical, emotional, mental, and
24 medical needs of children and youth; and (b) incorporate an array of
25 family support options, to individual needs and choices of the child
26 and family. The programs must be ready for implementation by ((January
27 1, 1995)) July 1, 1996;

28 ~~(3) ((Conduct an evaluation of all children currently within the~~
29 ~~foster care agency caseload to identify those children who meet the~~
30 ~~criteria set forth in this section. The evaluation shall be completed~~
31 ~~by January 1, 1994. All children entering the foster care system after~~
32 ~~January 1, 1994, must be evaluated for identification of long-term~~
33 ~~needs within thirty days of placement;~~

34 ~~(4)) Study and develop a comprehensive plan for the evaluation and~~
35 ~~identification of all children and youth in need of long-term care or~~
36 ~~assistance, including, but not limited to, the mentally ill,~~
37 ~~developmentally disabled, medically fragile, seriously emotionally or~~
38 ~~behaviorally disabled, and physically impaired;~~

1 (~~(5)~~) (4) Study and develop a plan for the children and youth in
2 need of long-term care or assistance to ensure the coordination of
3 services between the department's divisions and between other state
4 agencies who are involved with the child or youth; and

5 (~~(6)~~) (5) Study and develop guidelines for transitional services,
6 between long-term care programs, based on the person's age or mental,
7 physical, emotional, or medical condition(~~(; and~~

8 ~~(7) Study and develop a statutory proposal for the emancipation of~~
9 ~~minors and report its findings and recommendations to the legislature~~
10 ~~by January 1, 1994)).~~

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 16.** A new section is added to chapter 43.131
12 RCW to read as follows:

13 The family policy council and its powers and duties shall terminate
14 effective June 30, 2001.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 17.** The following acts or parts of acts, as now
16 existing or hereafter amended, are each repealed, effective June 30,
17 2002.

- 18 (1) Section 4 of this act;
- 19 (2) Section 5 of this act;
- 20 (3) Section 6 of this act;
- 21 (4) Section 8 of this act;
- 22 (5) Section 9 of this act;
- 23 (6) Section 10 of this act;
- 24 (7) Section 11 of this act;
- 25 (8) Section 12 of this act;
- 26 (9) Section 13 of this act; and
- 27 (10) Section 14 of this act.

28 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 18.** Sections 4 through 6 and 8 through 14 of
29 this act are each added to chapter 70.190 RCW.

30 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 19.** The sum of dollars, or as much
31 thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for the biennium ending
32 June 30, 1995, from the general fund--state to the department of social
33 and health services for the purposes of this act.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 20.** This act is necessary for the immediate
2 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
3 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
4 effect immediately.

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