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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 8421

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By Senators Skratek, Newhouse, Vognild, Moore, Amondson, Prentice, Sutherland, Fraser, McAuliffe, Snyder, M. Rasmussen and Winsley

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1 WHEREAS, The legislature continues to recognize the vital role that 2 training and retraining programs and services play in equipping the 3 state's work force and businesses to be competitive in global markets; 4 and

5 WHEREAS, Legislative action in recent years establishing the Work 6 Force Training and Education Coordinating Board was an integral step in 7 developing a strategic approach to work force development in 8 Washington; and

9 WHEREAS, A recent report of the 1993 Joint Legislative Task Force 10 on Unemployment Insurance highlighted the need for greater coordination 11 between the existing sixty-three training and education programs 12 contained in thirteen agencies within state government; and

WHEREAS, The federal government has initiated a major policy initiative within the United States Department of Labor to better serve the training and retraining needs of the unemployed within the United States; and

17 WHEREAS, The legislature seeks to address the challenges and 18 opportunities outlined by the Joint Legislative Task Force's report and 19 assist the Work Force Training and Education Coordinating Board;

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Senate of the state of 21 Washington, the House of Representatives concurring, That the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Training and Retraining be
established; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That there be eight committee members 4 chosen as follows: Four members of the Senate, two from each of the 5 two largest caucuses appointed by the President of the Senate; and four 6 members of the House of Representatives, two from each of the two 7 largest caucuses appointed by the Speaker of the House of 8 Representatives; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee select a chair from 10 among its own members; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Senate and the House of Representatives provide staffing to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Training and Retraining; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That nonlegislative members be reimbursed for travel in accordance with RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060 and that legislative members be reimbursed for travel in accordance with RCW 44.04.120; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee review the existing training and employment programs within Washington state and report to the legislature with recommendations on those programs that should be eliminated, combined, continued, or expanded; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee, in making its recommendations, consider program policies, program efficiency, and program performance along with other factors deemed appropriate; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee report to the legislature by January 31, 1995.

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