

1 **HB 2045 - H AMD 0091 ADOPTED 3-15-03**
2 By Representative Haigh

3 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
4 following:

5 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) The legislature finds that agencies
6 frequently maintain data warehouses that contain various
7 information regarding persons who do business with, provide
8 services to, and receive services from the state. The legislature
9 further finds that instances exist where the accurate and timely
10 exchange of data among agencies would be to the benefit of
11 Washington citizens. Therefore, the office of financial management
12 shall convene a common data definition work group to evaluate the
13 feasibility and challenges of creating a common data definition for
14 the state. The work group shall include consideration of all
15 instances in which state agencies collect uniquely identifying
16 information regarding persons and businesses that provide services
17 to the state, receive services from the state, file claims with or
18 against the state, receive benefits from the state, enter into
19 contracts with the state, make payments to the state, or otherwise
20 conduct business with the state.

21 (2) The common data definition work group shall include at
22 least one representative from at least the following state
23 agencies:

- 24 (a) The office of financial management;
- 25 (b) The department of social and health services;
- 26 (c) The department of revenue;
- 27 (d) The department of labor and industries;
- 28 (e) The health care authority;
- 29 (f) The employment security department;
- 30 (g) The higher education coordinating board;

- 1 (h) The department of corrections;
- 2 (i) The department of personnel;
- 3 (j) The department of retirement systems;
- 4 (k) The department of financial institutions;
- 5 (l) The department of licensing;
- 6 (m) The department of health;
- 7 (n) The department of veterans affairs;
- 8 (o) The department of information services;
- 9 (p) The office of superintendent of public instruction;
- 10 (q) The office of the secretary of state;
- 11 (r) The department of community, trade, and economic
12 development;
- 13 (s) The department of fish and wildlife;
- 14 (t) The office of the state auditor; and
- 15 (u) The work force training and education coordinating board.
- 16 (3) The office of financial management shall facilitate and
17 provide staff support to the common data definition work group.
18 The common data definition work group must examine the following
19 topics:
- 20 (a) The manual or automated system that each agency uses to
21 collect, store, and exchange uniquely identifying information;
- 22 (b) The information associated with each record, including
23 personally identifying information;
- 24 (c) The requirements and procedures provided in state and
25 federal law to protect privacy and to prevent the unauthorized
26 release of information;
- 27 (d) The processes each agency has in place to prevent the
28 unauthorized release of information;
- 29 (e) The processes each agency has in place to lawfully exchange
30 information with other state agencies, local government agencies,
31 the federal government, and other authorized parties;
- 32 (f) The challenges of creating a common data definition;
- 33 (g) The challenges of maintaining data integrity and accuracy
34 when sharing or exchanging data; and
- 35 (h) The processes necessary to ensure that the information
36 associated with each individual or business is only accessible to
37 those persons authorized to have access.

1 (4) The common data definition work group shall issue a
2 progress report to the appropriate standing committees of the
3 legislature no later than January 31, 2004. The report shall
4 include findings and recommendations on the feasibility of creating
5 and maintaining a common data definition, whether to create such a
6 definition and, if so, how to create the definition.

7 (5) This section expires December 31, 2004."

EFFECT: Changes the focus of the work group from studying the feasibility of creating a centralized identification system for state agencies that issue identification numbers, to studying the feasibility of defining "common data" for state agencies that collect and share uniquely identifying information.