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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 74.13 RCW
4 to read as follows:

5 The legislature finds that investment in effective prevention and
6 early intervention services: (1) Produces immediate and long-term
7 improvements for children and families; and (2) avoids future public
8 costs in education, child welfare, substance abuse, health, and mental
9 health treatment, law enforcement, the courts, and juvenile and adult
10 corrections. The legislature further finds that state agencies
11 receiving funds for prevention and early intervention services should
12 contract for or operate services that have a strong likelihood of
13 achieving expected program outcomes.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 74.13 RCW
15 to read as follows:

16 (1) For the purposes of this section, "prevention and early
17 intervention services and programs" are the following state-operated or
18 contracted programs or their successors:

- 19 (a) Alternate response system;
20 (b) Family reconciliation services;
21 (c) Family preservation services;
22 (d) Intensive family preservation services;
23 (e) Continuum of care;
24 (f) Parent trust program;
25 (g) Public health nurse early intervention program; and
26 (h) Other prevention and early intervention services and programs
27 in the department of social and health services, children's
28 administration, as identified by the secretary.

1 (2) The department of social and health services in consultation
2 with the family policy council, created in chapter 70.190 RCW, shall,
3 by March 1, 2004, identify criteria for funding prevention and early
4 intervention services and programs in the children's administration
5 that are either state-operated or contracted. The criteria must
6 require that funded programs, at a minimum: (a) Define clear,
7 measurable outcomes; (b) identify research that may be applicable; (c)
8 identify anticipated cost benefits; (d) describe broad community
9 involvement, support, and partnerships; and (e) provide data related to
10 program outcomes and cost benefits.

11 (3) The department shall incorporate the funding criteria into
12 contracts and operating procedures beginning January 1, 2005, within
13 existing resources.

14 (4) The department shall begin providing the family policy council
15 program outcome data required under subsection (2) of this section not
16 later than June 1, 2005.

17 (5) The family policy council shall begin analyzing the program
18 outcome and cost benefit data required under subsection (2) of this
19 section July 1, 2005.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 74.13 RCW
21 to read as follows:

22 Nothing in this act creates:

23 (1) An entitlement to services;

24 (2) Judicial authority to order the provision of services to any
25 person or family if the services are unavailable or unsuitable, or the
26 child or family is not eligible for such services; or

27 (3) A private right of action or claim on the part of any
28 individual, entity, or agency against any state agency or contractor.

29 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 70.190 RCW
30 to read as follows:

31 The council shall: Beginning with its 2005 annual report and each
32 subsequent report, list the prevention and early intervention services
33 to which the funding criteria established in section 2(2) of this act
34 are applied; and beginning with its 2006 annual report and in each

1 subsequent annual report, include the outcome and cost benefit data
2 collected under section 2(5) of this act and provide an analysis of the
3 success and cost benefit program outcomes.

4 In the 2006 annual report and in each subsequent annual report the
5 council shall identify and recommend other services, programs, and
6 state agencies to which the funding criteria may apply."

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7 On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "services;" strike the
8 remainder of the title and insert "adding new sections to chapter 74.13
9 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 70.190 RCW."

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