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AN ACT Relating to a study by the institute for public policy to create a system to encourage investment in proven intervention and prevention programs for at-risk youth; creating a new section; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. (1) The legislature recognizes the need to 7 encourage investment in proven prevention and intervention programs for 8 youth at high risk of becoming involved in the juvenile and adult 9 justice systems.

10 (2) The state institute for public policy must conduct the necessary research in order to recommend to the legislature the 11 12 criteria, processes, and institutional arrangements under which proven best practices could be state-certified, the reductions in the state 13 justice system caseloads estimated, and the unit cost and total cost 14 15 savings estimated for intervention and prevention programs focused on youth at high risk for involvement with the juvenile and adult justice 16 17 systems.

(3) The institute for public policy will report its findings andrecommendations to the legislature by December 15, 2003.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect May 1, 2003.

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