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By House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Kagi, Boldt, O'Brien, McIntire, Hunt, Schual-Berke, Shabro, Cooper, Linville, Pettigrew, Upthegrove, Moeller, Darneille, Miloscia, Dickerson, Clements, Armstrong, Orcutt, Fromhold, Delvin, Roach, Kenney, Haigh, Lovick, Chase, Santos and Hudgins)

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1 AN ACT Relating to the funding of prevention and early intervention
2 services; and adding new sections to chapter 74.13 RCW.

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

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

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

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

17 (1) The children's administration in the department of social and
18 health services shall identify and implement criteria for funding

1 prevention and early intervention services and programs that are either
2 state-operated or contracted. The criteria must require that funded
3 programs, at a minimum: (a) Define clear, measurable outcomes; (b)
4 identify research that may be applicable; (c) identify anticipated
5 cost-effectiveness; (d) describe broad community involvement, support,
6 and partnerships; and (e) provide data related to program outcomes.

7 (2) The children's administration shall collect and analyze the
8 program data and make the data and the analysis available for public
9 review.

10 (3) For the purposes of this section, "prevention and early
11 intervention services and programs" shall include, but not be limited
12 to, the following or their successors:

- 13 (a) Alternate response system;
- 14 (b) Family reconciliation services;
- 15 (c) Family preservation services;
- 16 (d) Intensive family preservation services;
- 17 (e) Continuum of care;
- 18 (f) Community public health and safety networks;
- 19 (g) Parent trust programs; and
- 20 (h) Public health nurse early intervention program.

21 (4) The children's administration shall incorporate the funding
22 criteria into contracts and operating procedures within existing
23 resources.

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

26 Nothing in this act shall be construed to create:

- 27 (1) An entitlement to services;
- 28 (2) Judicial authority to order the provision of services to any
29 person or family if the services are unavailable or unsuitable, or the
30 child or family is not eligible for such services; or
- 31 (3) A private right of action or claim on the part of any
32 individual, entity, or agency.

33 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 74.13 RCW
34 to read as follows:

35 The legislature encourages other administrations within the

1 department of social and health services and other state agencies
2 funding prevention and early intervention services to identify and
3 implement the funding criteria provided in section 2 of this act.

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