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House Committee on Health Care (originally sponsored Representatives Bailey, Cody, Pflug, Morris, Skinner, McDonald, Ahern, Schindler, Kagi, Kristiansen, Ruderman, Pearson, Darneille, Benson, Wood, Pettigrew, Clements, Orcutt, Newhouse, O'Brien, Linville, Moeller, Chase, Tom, Alexander, Talcott, Rockefeller, Woods and Anderson)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to creating a list of health care providers willing
- 2 to serve as volunteer resources; and adding a new section to chapter
- 3 43.70 RCW.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.70 RCW 6 to read as follows:
- 7 (1) The department is authorized to contact persons issued 8 credentials under this title for the purpose of requesting permission
- 9 to collect his or her name, profession, and contact information as a
- 10 possible volunteer in the event of a bioterrorism incident, natural
- 11 disaster, public health emergency, or other emergency or disaster, as
- 12 defined in RCW 38.52.010, that requires the services of health care
- 13 providers.
- 14 (2) The department shall maintain a record of all volunteers who 15 provide information under subsection (1) of this section. Upon
- 16 request, the department shall provide the record of volunteers to:
- 17 (a) Local health departments;
- 18 (b) State agencies engaged in public health emergency planning and 19 response, including the state military department;

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- 1 (c) Agencies of other states responsible for public health 2 emergency planning and response; and
- 3 (d) The centers for disease control and prevention.

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