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- AN ACT Relating to the public employees' benefits board offering a tricare supplemental insurance policy to employees who are eligible for this policy, but not eligible for medicare parts A and B; and adding a new section to chapter 41.05 RCW.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 41.05 RCW 7 to read as follows:
- 8 (1) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter or rules or procedures adopted by the authority under this chapter, the 9 10 authority may make available a tricare supplemental insurance policy, 32 C.F.R. Sec. 199.17 (2004), to employees who are eligible. 11 This supplemental policy may be offered as one of the board's health 12 coverage options. Employee selection of this supplemental policy is 13 14 exclusive of selecting any other medical coverage offered through the board. If offered by the board, this supplemental policy shall be made 15 available to employees, and retired or disabled employees, eligible for 16 17 coverage available under the authority, but not eligible for medicare 18 parts A and B.

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- 1 (2) The administrator may adopt rules to carry out the purposes of this section.
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