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By Senators Keiser, Pedersen, Cleveland

NOT ADOPTED 02/27/2014

- On page 97, line 3, increase the General Fund State appropriation
- 2 for FY 2015 by \$500,000
- 3 Adjust total appropriations accordingly
- 4 On page 113, after line 37, insert the following:
- 5 "(54) \$500,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal
- 6 year 2015 is provided solely to begin the necessary econometric
- 7 modeling for the federal basic health option authorized in the federal
- 8 patient protection and affordable care act, section 1331 of P.L. 111-
- 9 148 of 2010, to analyze the program enrollment, and the costs and
- 10 impacts to the state, the enrollees, health care provider and facility
- 11 reimbursement, and the insurance marketplace. By December 31, 2014,
- 12 the authority shall publish a report on the findings of the
- 13 econometric modeling. The report shall include impacts on:
- 14 (a) Reimbursement levels affecting provider participation and its
- 15 relationship to network adequacy in the program;
- 16 (b) The financial stability of the Washington health benefit
- 17 exchange, including enrollment, risk profile, and fees for operational
- 18 sustainability; and

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- 19 (c) Continuity of care, access, and affordability of coverage for
- 20 potential enrollees in the federal basic health program compared to
- 21 the insurance marketplace."

<u>EFFECT:</u> Directs the Health Care Authority to begin econometric modeling to analyze the federal Basic Health Program enrollment, costs and impacts, and to publish a report by December 1, 2014.

FISCAL EFFECT: \$500,000 General Fund--State increase