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By Representatives Van De Wege, Fitzgibbon, Holy, Hayes, Reykdal, Bergquist, and Freeman; by request of LEOFF Plan 2 Retirement Board

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1 AN ACT Relating to an optional life annuity benefit for plan 2 2 members of the law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement 3 system; and adding a new section to chapter 41.26 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 41.26 RCW 6 under the subchapter heading "plan 2" to read as follows:

7 (1) At the time of retirement, plan 2 members may purchase an 8 optional actuarially equivalent life annuity benefit from the law 9 enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system plan 2 10 retirement fund established in RCW 41.50.075. A minimum payment of 11 twenty-five thousand dollars is required.

12 (2) Subject to rules adopted by the department, a member purchasing 13 an annuity under this section must pay all of the cost with an eligible 14 rollover, direct rollover, or trustee-to-trustee transfer from an 15 eligible retirement plan.

16 (a) The department shall adopt rules to ensure that all eligible 17 rollovers and transfers comply with the requirements of the internal 18 revenue code and regulations adopted by the internal revenue service. 19 The rules adopted by the department may condition the acceptance of a 1 rollover or transfer from another plan on the receipt of information 2 necessary to enable the department to determine the eligibility of any 3 transferred funds for tax-free rollover treatment or other treatment 4 under federal income tax law.

5 (b) "Eligible retirement plan" means a tax qualified plan offered
6 by a governmental employer.

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