SENATE BILL 5163

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By Senators Roach, Benton, Holmquist Newbry, Shin, and Chase

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1 AN ACT Relating to child protective services workers; and adding a 2 new section to chapter 26.44 RCW.

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

4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 26.44 RCW 5 to read as follows:

Any child protective services worker who is directly engaged in: (1) Investigation of reports of alleged child abuse or neglect; (2) assessment of risk of abuse or neglect to children; or (3) provision of or referral to services, including law enforcement, to remedy conditions that endanger the health, safety, and welfare of children, must be licensed in good standing in a social work classification under chapter 18.225 RCW, and bonded.

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