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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The department of social and health
4 services, behavioral health organizations, managed care health
5 systems, and the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs
6 shall establish a work group to study and develop recommendations for
7 methods and procedures for:

8 (a) Local jails to electronically transmit information about
9 persons confined in jail to behavioral health organizations and
10 managed care health systems within twelve hours of a person's
11 confinement into jail;

12 (b) Behavioral health organizations and managed care health
13 systems to receive information transmitted from a jail about a
14 confined person and determine whether the person is a client; and

15 (c) Enabling a person's associated health care provider(s) to
16 electronically communicate the person's health care information to
17 the appropriate health care staff at the jail to ensure proper
18 continuity of care for the incarcerated person.

19 (2) The recommendations of the work group must include
20 recommendations for state funding necessary to achieve efficient,
21 secure, and proper communications between local jails, behavioral
22 health organizations and managed care health systems, and associated
23 health care providers. The work group shall submit its
24 recommendations to the governor and appropriate committees of the
25 legislature by January 1, 2017."

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26 On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "persons;" strike the
27 remainder of the title and insert "and creating a new section."

EFFECT: Adds behavioral health organizations and managed care health systems to the work group.

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