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**ESHB 1523** - S AMD **730**

By Senator Padden

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On page 1, line 8, after "(1)" strike "A" and insert "Except as provided in subsection (4) of this section, a"

On page 1, after line 18, insert the following:

"(4) The legislature recognizes that every person possesses a fundamental right to exercise their religious beliefs and conscience. No employer may be required by law or contract in any circumstances to participate in the provision of, or payment for, abortifacient drugs or devices required to be covered under section (1) of this section if they object to doing so for reason of conscience or religion."

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|  | EFFECT:  Permits employers to not provide coverage or payment for abortifacient drugs or devices, if they object to doing so for reason of conscience or religion. |

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