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

3 "Sec. 1. RCW 43.44.060 and 2010 1st sp.s. c 7 s 50 are each
4 amended to read as follows:

5 (1) The chief of each organized fire department, or the sheriff
6 or other designated county official having jurisdiction over areas
7 not within the jurisdiction of any fire department, shall report
8 statistical information and data to the chief of the Washington state
9 patrol, through the director of fire protection, on each fire
10 occurring within the official's jurisdiction and, within two business
11 days, report any death resulting from fire.

12 (2) Reports submitted pursuant to subsection (1) of this section
13 shall be consistent with the national fire incident reporting system
14 developed by the United States fire administration and rules
15 established by the chief of the Washington state patrol, through the
16 director of fire protection. Rules established by the chief of the
17 Washington state patrol, through the director of fire protection,
18 must require fire departments to report data on the age of any
19 structure involved in a fire when that information is available
20 through property records or other methods.

21 (3) Subject to availability of amounts appropriated for this
22 specific purpose, the chief of the Washington state patrol, through
23 the director of fire protection, shall administer the national fire
24 incident reporting system including, but not limited to, the
25 following responsibilities:

26 (a) Purchasing equipment, including software, needed for the
27 operation of the reporting system;

28 (b) Establishing procedures, standards, and guidelines pertaining
29 to the statistical information and data reported by fire departments
30 through the reporting system;

1 (c) Providing training and education to fire departments
2 pertaining to the reporting system; and

3 (d) Employing staff to administer the reporting system, as
4 needed.

5 (4) The chief of the Washington state patrol, through the
6 director of fire protection, and the department of natural resources
7 shall jointly determine the statistical information to be reported on
8 fires on land under the jurisdiction of the department of natural
9 resources.

10 ~~((+2))~~ (5) The chief of the Washington state patrol, through the
11 director of fire protection, shall analyze the information and data
12 reported, compile a report, and distribute a copy annually by July
13 1st to each chief fire official in the state. Upon request, the chief
14 of the Washington state patrol, through the director of fire
15 protection, shall also furnish a copy of the report to any other
16 interested person at cost.

17 (6) For purposes of this section, "national fire incident
18 reporting system" or "reporting system" means the national fire
19 incident reporting system or the state equivalent as selected by the
20 chief of the Washington state patrol, through the director of fire
21 protection.

22 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. If specific funding for the purposes of
23 this act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not
24 provided by June 30, 2017, in the omnibus appropriations act, this
25 act is null and void."

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26 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "system;" strike the
27 remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 43.44.060; and
28 creating a new section."

EFFECT: Requires fire departments or fire jurisdictions to report on the age of buildings involved in a fire, if the information is available.

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