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By Representative Schmick

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1 On page 36, line 11 of the striking amendment, after "RCW 2 71.24.115" insert "and the law enforcement assisted diversion programs 3 established under RCW 71.24.589" 4 5 On page 36, line 12 of the striking amendment, after "due by" 6 strike "June 30th in the years 2028, 2033, and 2038" and insert 7 "December 31st in the years 2024, 2026, and 2028" 8 9 On page 36, beginning on line 14 of the striking amendment, after 10 "authority" strike all material through "bureau," on line 15 11 12 On page 36, beginning on line 19 of the striking amendment, after 13 "program" strike all material through "bureau" on line 20 and insert 14 "and the law enforcement assisted diversion model. The authority" 15 16 On page 36, line 21 of the striking amendment, after "program" 17 insert "and the law enforcement assisted diversion programs" 18 19 On page 36, beginning on line 22 of the striking amendment, after 20 "enhancing" strike all material through "alternative" on line 23 and 21 insert "the ability of each to provide viable, accepted, community-22 based care alternatives, in both urban and rural communities,"

EFFECT: Requires the Health Care Authority (HCA) to contract with the Washington State Institute for Public Policy (WSIPP) to study the long-term effectiveness of the recovery navigator program (RNP) and the law enforcement assisted diversion (LEAD) programs, rather than just the RNP. Provides that reports related to the study are due December 31st in the years 2024, 2026, and 2028, rather than June 30th in the years 2028, 2033, and 2038. Removes the requirement

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for WSIPP to collaborate with the LEAD National Support Bureau. Permits the HCA, rather than the LEAD National Support Bureau, to supplement the report with additional recommendations. Specifies that the additional recommendations relate to improving the RNP and LEAD programs by enhancing their ability to provide certain alternatives to jail and prosecution in both urban and rural communities.

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