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By Senator Muzzall

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

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.71
4 RCW to read as follows:

5 (1) To assist exchange consumers to find a health plan that best
6 meets all of their coverage needs, the exchange shall:

7 (a) Inform exchange consumers at the beginning of the plan
8 selection process that free assistance is available from a licensed
9 insurance producer; and

10 (b) Track the number of referrals the exchange's customer support
11 center makes to licensed insurance producers.

12 (2) By December 1, 2026, the exchange shall submit a report to
13 the appropriate committees of the legislature on:

14 (a) The progress made toward increasing the percentage of
15 exchange consumers using the services of a licensed insurance
16 producer to select a qualified health plan; and

17 (b) The percentage of consumers who use a licensed insurance
18 producer to select a qualified health plan who ultimately select a
19 nonstandardized plan."

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20 On page 1, line 3 of the title, after "exchange;" strike the
21 remainder of the title and insert "and adding a new section to
22 chapter 43.71 RCW."

EFFECT: Strikes the underlying bill and requires the Exchange to:
(1) Inform Exchange consumers at the beginning of the plan selection
process that free assistance is available from licensed insurance
producers; and (2) track the number of referrals the Exchange makes
to licensed insurance producers through its customer support center.
Requires the Exchange to submit a report to the Legislature by

December 1, 2026, on: (1) The progress made toward increasing the percentage of Exchange consumers using the services of licensed insurance producers to select a qualified health plan; and (2) the percentage of consumers using a licensed insurance producer who ultimately select a nonstandardized plan.

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