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1 AN ACT Relating to creating a child malnutrition field guide for
2 the department of children, youth, and families; and adding a new
3 section to chapter 74.13 RCW.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 74.13
6 RCW to read as follows:

7 By September 1, 2023, the department, in consultation with the
8 department of health, shall produce and make available to department
9 staff a child malnutrition field guide. This child malnutrition field
10 guide must:

11 (1) Be concise;

12 (2) Be easily accessible by department staff;

13 (3) Describe how to identify signs of child malnutrition;

14 (4) Include appropriate questions to ask the child and others
15 close to the child when child malnutrition is suspected;

16 (5) Include the appropriate next steps department staff may take
17 when child malnutrition is suspected; and

18 (6) Include any additional information the department deems
19 relevant.

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