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By Representatives Abbarno, Schmick, Burnett, Jacobsen, Eslick, and McClintock

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1 AN ACT Relating to protecting spouses by allowing the sharing of
2 benefits under the long-term services and supports trust program; and
3 adding a new section to chapter 50B.04 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 50B.04
6 RCW to read as follows:

7 (1) A qualified individual may elect to transfer any or all of
8 the qualified individual's available benefit units to the qualified
9 individual's spouse if the receiving spouse:

10 (a)(i) Does not meet the criteria to be a qualified individual
11 under RCW 50B.04.050; and

12 (ii) Following an evaluation, is determined to meet the
13 functional criteria necessary to become an eligible beneficiary as
14 established in RCW 50B.04.060; or

15 (b)(i) Has met the criteria to be a qualified individual under
16 RCW 50B.04.050;

17 (ii) Following an evaluation, is determined to meet the
18 functional criteria necessary to become an eligible beneficiary as
19 established in RCW 50B.04.060; and

20 (iii) Has exhausted the benefit units available to the receiving
21 spouse under the program.

1 (2) A qualified individual who transfers benefit units to a
2 spouse shall have the amount of transferred units deducted from the
3 amount of benefit units available to the qualified individual who
4 makes the transfer.

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