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By Senators Delvin, McAuliffe, Parlette, and Roach

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1 AN ACT Relating to staying an order terminating parental rights;
2 and adding a new section to chapter 26.33 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 26.33 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) An order terminating a person's parental rights that is entered
7 in a proceeding initiated under either chapter 13.34 RCW or this
8 chapter shall be automatically stayed for thirty days after entry of
9 the order terminating parental rights. If a notice of appeal is filed
10 with respect to the termination order during the thirty-day period, the
11 automatic stay shall continue until the appeal is complete or the stay
12 is lifted by the reviewing court. If a notice of appeal is not filed
13 within the thirty-day period, the automatic stay shall expire.

14 (2) The automatic stay under this section shall stay the execution
15 of the termination order to the extent that it would permit entry of an
16 order of adoption without the parent's consent or surrender, and shall
17 also stay the termination order with respect to any power granted to a

1 person or agency to consent to an adoption.

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