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- 5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the 6 following:
- 7 "Sec. 1. RCW 2.56.030 and 1993 c 415 s 3 are each amended to read 8 as follows:
- 9 The administrator for the courts shall, under the supervision and 10 direction of the chief justice:
- 11 (1) Examine the administrative methods and systems employed in the 12 offices of the judges, clerks, stenographers, and employees of the 13 courts and make recommendations, through the chief justice, for the 14 improvement of the same;
- 15 (2) Examine the state of the dockets of the courts and determine 16 the need for assistance by any court;
- 17 (3) Make recommendations to the chief justice relating to the 18 assignment of judges where courts are in need of assistance and carry 19 out the direction of the chief justice as to the assignments of judges 20 to counties and districts where the courts are in need of assistance;
- 21 (4) Collect and compile statistical and other data and make reports 22 of the business transacted by the courts and transmit the same to the 23 chief justice to the end that proper action may be taken in respect 24 thereto;
- 25 (5) Prepare and submit budget estimates of state appropriations 26 necessary for the maintenance and operation of the judicial system and 27 make recommendations in respect thereto;
- (6) Collect statistical and other data and make reports relating to the expenditure of public moneys, state and local, for the maintenance and operation of the judicial system and the offices connected therewith;
- (7) Obtain reports from clerks of courts in accordance with law or rules adopted by the supreme court of this state on cases and other judicial business in which action has been delayed beyond periods of time specified by law or rules of court and make report thereof to supreme court of this state;

- 1 (8) Act as secretary of the judicial conference referred to in RCW 2.56.060;
- 3 (9) Formulate and submit to the judicial council of this state 4 recommendations of policies for the improvement of the judicial system;
- 5 (10) Submit annually, as of February 1st, to the chief justice and 6 the judicial council, a report of the activities of the administrator's 7 office for the preceding calendar year;
- 8 (11) Administer programs and standards for the training and 9 education of judicial personnel;
- 10 (12) Examine the need for new superior court and district judge positions under a weighted caseload analysis that takes into account 11 the time required to hear all the cases in a particular court and the 12 13 amount of time existing judges have available to hear cases in that court. The results of the weighted caseload analysis shall be reviewed 14 15 by the board for judicial administration and the judicial council, both of which shall make recommendations to the legislature by January 1, 16 It is the intent of the legislature that weighted caseload 17 analysis become the basis for creating additional district court 18 19 positions, and recommendations should address that objective;
- 20 (13) Provide staff to the judicial retirement account plan under 21 chapter 2.14 RCW;
- 22 (14) Attend to such other matters as may be assigned by the supreme 23 court of this state;

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- (15) Within available funds, develop a curriculum for a general understanding of child development, placement, and treatment resources, as well as specific legal skills and knowledge of relevant statutes including chapters 13.32A, 13.34, and 13.40 RCW, cases, court rules, interviewing skills, and special needs of the abused or neglected child. This curriculum shall be completed and made available to all juvenile court judges, court personnel, and service providers by July 1, 1988. The curriculum shall be updated yearly to reflect changes in statutes, court rules, or case law;
- (16) Develop a curriculum for a general understanding of crimes of malicious harassment, as well as specific legal skills and knowledge of RCW 9A.36.080, relevant cases, court rules, and the special needs of malicious harassment victims. This curriculum shall be completed and made available to all superior court and court of appeals judges and to all justices of the supreme court by July 1, 1989;
- 39 (17) Develop, in consultation with the criminal justice training

- 1 commission and the commissions established under chapters 43.113,
- 2 43.115, and 43.117 RCW, a curriculum for a general understanding of
- 3 ethnic and cultural diversity and its implications for working with
- 4 youth of color and their families. The curriculum shall be completed
- 5 and made available to all superior court judges and court commissioners
- 6 assigned to juvenile court, and other court personnel by October 1,
- 7 1993. Ethnic and cultural diversity training shall be provided
- 8 annually so as to incorporate cultural sensitivity and awareness into
- 9 the daily operation of juvenile courts state-wide;
- 10 (18) Authorize the use of closed circuit television and other
- 11 electronic equipment in judicial proceedings. The administrator shall
- 12 promulgate necessary standards and procedures and shall provide
- 13 <u>technical assistance to courts as required.</u>"
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- On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "administration;" strike the
- 18 remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 2.56.030."

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