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1 AN ACT Relating to juvenile offender facilities; creating new
2 sections; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that juvenile
5 rehabilitation programs within the department of social and health
6 services require additional facilities for the confinement and
7 rehabilitation of juvenile offenders. The number of juvenile offenders
8 referred to the state for confinement by the juvenile courts has
9 increased dramatically while the capacity of the state's institutions
10 remain unchanged. The lack of facilities has resulted in confinement
11 decisions that are based on facility capacity, rather than confinement
12 and rehabilitative needs.

13 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** By December 31, 1994, the department of
14 social and health services shall develop a facility master plan to meet
15 the department's projected confinement and rehabilitation needs for
16 juvenile offenders beyond the year 1995. The projections of
17 confinement and rehabilitation needs shall be based on the department's
18 projections of juvenile offenders developed in conjunction with the

1 office of financial management. The projections of need shall be based
2 on anticipated juvenile confinement and rehabilitation program needs
3 under Title 13 RCW and shall be unrestrained by existing facilities or
4 institutional capacity.

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The department of social and health services
6 shall:

7 (1) By January 1, 1995, develop emergency bed capacity for one
8 hundred fifty additional juveniles. All of these beds shall be medium
9 or maximum security. In developing the emergency capacity the
10 department shall first consider using or expanding existing state
11 facilities that are no longer in use or are currently underutilized;

12 (2) By January 1, 1995, develop an inpatient specialized substance
13 abuse treatment program. The additional facility bed capacity needed
14 for the substance abuse treatment program may be included in the one
15 hundred fifty emergency beds in subsection (1) of this section.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** This act is necessary for the immediate
17 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
18 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
19 effect immediately.

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