

1 **SHB 2591 - H AMD 954 ADOPTED 2-13-98**

2 By Representative Dyer

3 On page 1, line 5 delete all of subsection (1) and (2) and insert  
4 the following:

5 (1) An employee or officer of a state agency may not use state  
6 resources to demand, or pressure vendors or contractors from whom the  
7 state agency is making purchases or has a current contract for  
8 services, construction, or maintenance, to lobby or contact the  
9 legislature, including members of the legislature or legislative staff,  
10 regarding proposed or pending legislation.

11 (2) Subsection (1) of this section only prohibits communications  
12 between an employee or officer of a state agency and a vendor or  
13 contractor that are explicitly or implicitly coercive in nature where  
14 the vendor or contractor fears, or has reason to fear, loss of an  
15 existing contract by the state agency if the vendor or contractor fails  
16 to lobby or make such legislative contacts.

**EFFECT:** Clarifies that a state employee or agency is prohibited  
from using state resources to lobby or contact the  
legislature, on existing contracts.

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