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3 By Senators Hargrove and Zarelli

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5 Beginning on page 5, line 22, strike all of section 2 and insert  
6 the following:

7 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 26.44 RCW  
8 to read as follows:

9 (1) When an interview of a child regarding allegations of sexual  
10 abuse is conducted by the department, that interview shall be recorded  
11 by audiotape. Videotape may be used if it is readily available.

12 (2) The department shall not make any copies of an audiotape or  
13 videotape recorded under this section. The original tape shall be  
14 retained by the department until its use in a personnel evaluation  
15 under section 3 of this act is concluded. However, under any  
16 circumstance the tape must be destroyed no later than three years after  
17 the date of taping."

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EFFECT: Reconciles section 2 with section 3 to prohibit the use of any tape other than for personnel evaluations by the department of social and health services. Requires destruction of tape after three years.