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HOUSE BILL 2760

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By Representatives Mielke, Boldt, Koster and Dunn

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1            AN ACT Relating to legal counsel for foster parents; and adding a  
2 new section to chapter 74.13 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 74.13 RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6            (1) When the department begins an investigation of a foster parent  
7 for an alleged improper action the foster parent shall have reasonable  
8 access to legal representation paid for by the department.

9            (2) The department shall contract with members of the Washington  
10 State Bar Association for the legal representation needed to comply  
11 with this section.

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