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HOUSE BILL 3022

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By Representative Boldt

Read first time 01/27/98. Referred to Committee on Children & Family Services.

1 AN ACT Relating to interstate agreements for public assistance  
2 cross matches; adding a new section to chapter 74.04 RCW; providing an  
3 expiration date; and declaring an emergency.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 74.04 RCW  
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) The secretary is authorized to execute, on behalf of the state  
8 of Washington, agreements with the agencies of neighboring states to  
9 compare public assistance caseload rolls. The purpose of the data  
10 comparison is to identify persons receiving grants in more than one  
11 state. The secretary shall make reasonable efforts to enter into  
12 interstate agreements containing appropriate terms and conditions to  
13 allow caseload comparisons. Reasonable efforts include, but are not  
14 limited to, contacting the appropriate officers or agencies in  
15 neighboring states, drafting proposed agreements, negotiating the terms  
16 of any proposed agreement, and composing computer programs required for  
17 the implementation of any agreement.

18 (2) The secretary shall report to the house committee on children  
19 and family services, by July 1, 1998, department efforts and progress

1 toward executing agreements with neighboring states to compare caseload  
2 data.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act expires July 1, 1999.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** This act is necessary for the immediate  
5 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the  
6 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect  
7 immediately.

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