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Sponsor(s): Representatives Ballasiotes, Costa, O'Brien, Hatfield and Mitchell

Brief Title: Regarding reports of abuse to children, adults, and disabled persons.

HB 2829 - DIGEST

(SEE ALSO PROPOSED 1ST SUB)

Provides that when any personnel or volunteer working in a religious institution has reasonable cause to believe that a child or adult dependent or developmentally disabled person, has suffered abuse or neglect, he or she shall report such incident, or cause a report to be made, to the proper law enforcement agency or to the department as provided in RCW 26.44.040. A member of the clergy or a priest may not, without the consent of a person making the statement, be required to report as to any statement made to him or her in his or her professional character.