

1 **ESSB 5180 - H AMD 0339 FAILED 04/25/99**

2 By Representative

3 On page 50, after line 26, insert the following:

4 (4) The department shall reduce staffing by 149 FTE staff to
5 reflect the reduction in welfare caseloads. Savings of \$17,900,000
6 associated with the staffing reduction shall be reinvested in the
7 following manner: (a) \$10,000,000 for working connections child care
8 and (b) \$7,900,000 for the early childhood education program
9 administered by the department of community, trade and economic
10 development.-

EFFECT: Directs the DSHS Economic Services Administration to reduce staff to reflect declining caseloads and to reinvest the money saved into child care and early childhood education programs.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.