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3 By Committee on Labor and Workforce Development

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5 On page 2, line 36, after "counseling" delete "or support groups"

6 On page 3, line 1, before "An individual's eligibility" insert:

7 "(8) A claimant seeking to establish a domestic violence  
8 qualification under this section shall provide documentation of having  
9 fulfilled the requirements of subsection (7). Documentation may  
10 include written confirmation of treatment by a health care professional  
11 licensed under RCW 18.57, RCW 18.57A, RCW 18.71, RCW 18.71A or RCW  
12 18.79 for the effects of domestic violence; a copy of a protection  
13 order, restraining order or no-contact order; a letter from claimant's  
14 attorney indicating that claimant is actively pursuing legal remedies;  
15 a letter from a psychological, social or religious counselor or  
16 domestic violence victim advocate, indicating that the claimant is  
17 receiving counseling for domestic violence problems; or other  
18 reasonable documentation as may be established by the department in  
19 rule."

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**EFFECT:** Removes participation in a "support group" as a qualifying factor for domestic violence "good cause" and requires claimant to document proof of a qualifying factor, with examples.