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**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1365**

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**By** House Committee on Children & Family Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Doumit, Pflug, Tokuda, Boldt, Pennington, Rockefeller, Hatfield, Eickmeyer, Campbell, Edwards, Cairnes, Murray, Cody, Jackley, Mastin, Kirby, Buck, Kessler, Chopp, McIntire, Grant, Morris, Lisk, Ruderman, Van Luven, Kenney, Conway, Kagi and Schual-Berke)

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1 AN ACT Relating to recalled infant and child products; adding a new  
2 section to chapter 43.70 RCW; and creating a new section.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The legislature finds that infants and  
5 children in Washington are injured, sometimes fatally, by unsafe  
6 consumer products designed for use by infants and children.

7 (2) The legislature finds that parents and other persons  
8 responsible for the care of infants and children are often unaware that  
9 some of these consumer products have been determined to be unsafe by  
10 the United States consumer products safety commission.

11 (3) The legislature intends to address this lack of awareness by  
12 establishing a statewide infant and children product safety campaign  
13 across Washington state.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 43.70 RCW  
15 to read as follows:

16 (1) The legislature authorizes the secretary to establish and  
17 maintain a product safety education campaign to promote greater  
18 awareness of products designed to be used by infants and children,

1 excluding toys, that have been determined to be unsafe by the United  
2 States consumer products safety commission.

3 (2) The department shall assure that this infant and children  
4 product safety education campaign reaches the target population. The  
5 target population for this campaign includes, but is not limited to,  
6 parents, foster parents and other caregivers, child care providers,  
7 consignment and resale stores selling infant and child products, and  
8 charitable and governmental entities serving infants, children, and  
9 families.

10 (3) The secretary may utilize a combination of methods to achieve  
11 this outreach and education goal, including but not limited to print  
12 and electronic media. The secretary may operate the campaign or may  
13 contract with a vendor.

14 (4) The department shall coordinate this infant and children  
15 product safety education campaign with child-serving entities  
16 including, but not limited to, hospitals, birthing centers, midwives,  
17 pediatricians, obstetricians, family practice physicians, governmental  
18 and private entities serving infants, children, and families, and  
19 relevant manufacturers.

20 (5) The department shall coordinate with other agencies and  
21 entities to eliminate duplication of effort in disseminating infant and  
22 children consumer product safety information.

23 (6) The department may receive funding for this infant and children  
24 product safety education effort from federal, state, and local  
25 governmental entities, child-serving foundations, or other private  
26 sources.

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