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By Representatives Dickerson, Esser, Jarrett, Darneille, Tokuda and Haigh

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1 AN ACT Relating to a study by the institute for public policy to
2 create a system to encourage investment in proven intervention and
3 prevention programs for at-risk youth; creating a new section;
4 providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The legislature recognizes the need to
7 encourage investment in proven prevention and intervention programs for
8 youth at high risk of becoming involved in the juvenile and adult
9 justice systems.

10 (2) The state institute for public policy must conduct the
11 necessary research in order to recommend to the legislature the
12 criteria, processes, and institutional arrangements under which proven
13 best practices could be state-certified, the reductions in the state
14 justice system caseloads estimated, and the unit cost and total cost
15 savings estimated for intervention and prevention programs focused on
16 youth at high risk for involvement with the juvenile and adult justice
17 systems.

18 (3) The institute for public policy will report its findings and
19 recommendations to the legislature by December 15, 2002.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate
2 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
3 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect
4 April 1, 2002.

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