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On page 3, line 2, after "consortium." insert "State purchased health care programs shall purchase prescription drugs through the consortium for those prescription drugs that are purchased directly by the state and those that are purchased through reimbursement of retail pharmacies. The administrator shall not require that any supplemental rebate offered by a pharmaceutical manufacturer for prescription drugs purchased for medical assistance program clients under chapter 74.09 RCW be extended to state purchased health care programs other than medical assistance, or to private individuals participating in the consortium."

On page 3, line 8, strike "used for entities" and insert "the basis for consortium purchasing by and on behalf of state purchased health care programs"

On page 3, line 12, after "order." insert "Within one hundred twenty days following the establishment of a pharmacy and therapeutics committee by the administrator for the purpose of evaluating the efficacy of prescription drugs, the drug utilization and education council within the department of social and health services shall be disbanded and its functions transferred to the pharmacy and therapeutics committee."

EFFECT: Clarifies the roles and responsibilities of state purchased health care programs. Eliminates the drug utilization and education council with the department of social and health services after the health care authority administrator establishes a pharmacy and therapeutics committee.