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By Representatives Fromhold, Delvin, Linville, Cox, O'Brien, Cooper, Hunt, Sullivan, Rockefeller, Conway, Darneille, Campbell, Upthegrove, Kenney and McDonald

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1 AN ACT Relating to health care coverage for retired or disabled  
2 school employees and retired state employees; adding a new section to  
3 chapter 41.05 RCW; providing an effective date; and declaring an  
4 emergency.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 41.05 RCW  
7 to read as follows:

8 (1) Retired or disabled school district and educational service  
9 district employees, or retired state employees, who are receiving a  
10 retirement allowance under chapter 41.32 or 41.40 RCW as of September  
11 30, 1993, and their dependents may purchase health care insurance  
12 coverage from the authority under terms and conditions established by  
13 this chapter and by the board.

14 (2) Retired or disabled school district and educational service  
15 district employees, or retired state employees, who began receiving a  
16 retirement allowance under chapter 41.32, 41.35, or 41.40 RCW on or  
17 after October 1, 1993, may enroll in benefit plans under the authority  
18 during annual enrollment periods established by the board, with

1 demonstrated continuous employer group medical coverage from the time  
2 they became retired or disabled.

3 (3) Retired or disabled school district and educational service  
4 district employees, or retired state employees, and their dependents  
5 shall pay the cost of premiums for the insurance offered by the  
6 authority and any surcharge imposed by the board. The authority shall  
7 charge as premiums, the cost to the authority of providing insurance  
8 coverage for retired or disabled school district and educational  
9 service district employees, or retired state employees, and their  
10 dependents, including any amounts necessary for reserves and  
11 administration.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate  
13 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the  
14 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect  
15 July 1, 2003.

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