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**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2984**

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**By** House Committee on Children & Family Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Shabro, Kagi, Bush, Darneille, Dickerson, Roach, Rodne, Bailey, Boldt, Campbell, Nixon, McDonald, Kenney, Armstrong, Woods, Chase and Hunter)

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1 AN ACT Relating to child fatality reviews for children involved in  
2 the child welfare system; and adding a new section to chapter 74.13  
3 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 74.13 RCW  
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) The department of social and health services shall conduct a  
8 child fatality review in the event of an unexpected death of a minor in  
9 the state who is in the care of or receiving services described in  
10 chapter 74.13 RCW from the department or who has been in the care of or  
11 received services described in chapter 74.13 RCW from the department  
12 within one year preceding the minor's death.

13 (2) Upon conclusion of a child fatality review required pursuant to  
14 subsection (1) of this section, the department shall issue a report on  
15 the results of the review to the appropriate committees of the  
16 legislature and shall make copies of the report available to the public  
17 upon request.

1           (3) The department shall develop and implement procedures to carry  
2 out the requirements of subsections (1) and (2) of this section.

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