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Sponsor(s): Representatives Kagi, Dickerson, Moeller, Chase and Kenney

Brief Description: Providing for integration of services for deaf and hard of hearing children.

**HB 2764 - DIGEST**

(AS \_\_\_\_\_ OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/16/04)

Finds that early intervention services providers, school districts and educational service districts, and the Washington school for the deaf should integrate their work in order to provide appropriate and consistent services throughout the state to children who are deaf or hard of hearing, from birth through twelfth grade.

Requires the governor and the superintendent of public instruction to establish an oversight committee to explore possibilities for the integration of the state's education services provided through the birth-to-three early intervention system, the preschool through twelfth grade system, and the Washington school for the deaf.

Provides that, the oversight committee established pursuant to this act shall report its recommendations concerning integration of the state's education services provided through the birth-to-three early intervention system, the preschool through twelfth grade system, and the Washington school for the deaf to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2004.