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**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5305**

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**By** Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care (originally sponsored by Senators Rasmussen, Benton, Roach, Swecker, Zarelli, Regala, Stevens, Shin, Delvin, Franklin and Mulliken)

READ FIRST TIME 03/02/05.

1       AN ACT Relating to the use of mercury-containing vaccines; and  
2 adding a new section to chapter 70.95M RCW.

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

4       NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 70.95M RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6       (1) Beginning July 1, 2006, a person who is known to be pregnant or  
7 who is under three years of age shall not be vaccinated with a mercury-  
8 containing vaccine or injected with a mercury-containing product that  
9 does not meet any existing federal guideline.

10       (2) The secretary of the department of health may, upon declaration  
11 of a public health emergency, suspend the requirements of this section  
12 for the duration of the emergency.

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