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1 AN ACT Relating to protecting the integrity of collective
2 bargaining for public sector employees; and adding a new section to
3 chapter 42.56 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 42.56 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 The legislature recognizes that in order to maintain the integrity
8 of the collective bargaining process, enable rank and file
9 participation in labor negotiations, and encourage candid,
10 constructive, efficient, and effective negotiations between public
11 employers and labor organizations, records from any collective
12 bargaining, labor negotiations, or grievance or mediation, that would
13 reveal strategies or positions taken by any employer or labor
14 organization during the pendency of those proceedings shall be exempt
15 from disclosure under this chapter. This section shall not disturb any
16 right afforded to any employer or labor organization under existing
17 collective bargaining statutes or ordinances.

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