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By House Health & Human Services Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Cody, Williams, Seaquist, and Darneille)

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1 AN ACT Relating to the organization of the department of social and
2 health services; amending RCW 43.20A.090 and 71.24.360; and adding a
3 new section to chapter 43.20A 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 43.20A RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) The department shall adopt a rule specifying the number and
8 geographic boundaries of the department's regional service delivery
9 system.

10 (2) Each departmental administration and division shall reorganize
11 its delivery system to be consistent with the department's regional
12 boundaries.

13 (3) The department shall achieve at least the same percentage of
14 administrative savings at the regional and headquarters level as
15 realized through the reduction in regional support networks as provided
16 in section 3 of this act.

17 **Sec. 2.** RCW 43.20A.090 and 1994 sp.s. c 7 s 515 are each amended
18 to read as follows:

1 The secretary shall appoint a deputy secretary, a department
2 personnel director, and such assistant secretaries as shall be needed
3 to administer the department. The deputy secretary shall have charge
4 and general supervision of the department in the absence or disability
5 of the secretary, and in case of a vacancy in the office of secretary,
6 shall continue in charge of the department until a successor is
7 appointed and qualified, or until the governor shall appoint an acting
8 secretary. ~~((The secretary shall appoint an assistant secretary to
9 administer the juvenile rehabilitation responsibilities required of the
10 department by chapters 13.04, 13.40, and 13.50 RCW.))~~ The officers
11 appointed under this section, and exempt from the provisions of the
12 state civil service law ~~((by the terms of RCW 41.06.076))~~, shall be
13 paid salaries to be fixed by the governor in accordance with the
14 procedure established by law for the fixing of salaries for officers
15 exempt from the operation of the state civil service law.

16 **Sec. 3.** RCW 71.24.360 and 2005 c 504 s 805 are each amended to
17 read as follows:

18 The department may establish new regional support network
19 boundaries in any part of the state where more than one network chooses
20 not to respond to, or is unable to substantially meet the requirements
21 of, the request for qualifications under section 4, chapter 503, Laws
22 of 2005 or where a regional support network is subject to reprocurement
23 under section 6, chapter 503, Laws of 2005. The department may
24 establish no fewer than ~~((eight))~~ three and no more than ~~((fourteen))~~
25 six regional support networks under this chapter. ~~((No entity shall be
26 responsible for more than three regional support networks.))~~

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