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HOUSE BILL 3050

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By Representatives Driscoll, Bailey, Kelley, and Hinkle

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1            AN ACT Relating to authorizing health carriers to offer plans  
2 equivalent to the basic health plan; adding a new section to chapter  
3 48.43 RCW; and declaring an emergency.

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

5            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 48.43 RCW  
6 to read as follows:

7            Health carriers may offer a health benefit plan that is actuarially  
8 equivalent to the same schedule of covered basic health care services  
9 established by the administrator of the health care authority for  
10 nonsubsidized enrollees. The health benefit plan may include physician  
11 services, inpatient and outpatient hospital services, prescription  
12 drugs and medications, and other services that may be necessary for  
13 basic health care. Health carriers must be subject to the same  
14 provisions of Title 48 RCW as required of the Washington basic health  
15 care plan under RCW 70.47.130.

16            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate  
17 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the

1 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect  
2 immediately.

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