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By Senate Higher Education & Workforce Development (originally sponsored by Senators Shin, Hobbs, Kastama, McAuliffe, Jarrett, Pridemore, Brown, Keiser, Jacobsen, Kohl-Welles, and Kline)

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1 AN ACT Relating to establishing a University of Washington center
2 for human rights; and adding a new section to chapter 28B.20 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 28B.20 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) A University of Washington center for human rights is created.
7 The mission of the center is to expand opportunities for Washington
8 residents to receive a world-class education in human rights, generate
9 research data and expert knowledge to enhance public and private
10 policymaking, and become an academic center for human rights teaching
11 and research in the nation. Key substantive issues for the center
12 include: The rights of all persons to security against violence; the
13 rights of immigrants, native Americans, and ethnic or religious
14 minorities; human rights and the environment; health as a human right;
15 human rights and trade; the human rights of working people; and women's
16 rights as human rights.

17 (2) The higher education coordinating board may solicit, accept,
18 receive, and administer federal funds or private funds, in trust or

1 otherwise, and contract with foundations or with for-profit or
2 nonprofit organizations to support the purposes of this section.

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