

SB 5904 - H AMD 576

By Representative Kagi

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1 On page 2, beginning on line 21, strike all of section 3 and
2 insert the following:

3 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. (1) During the 2013-2015 biennium, the
4 Washington state institute for public policy shall conduct a
5 comprehensive retrospective outcome evaluation and return on
6 investment analysis of the early childhood program established in RCW
7 43.215.400. To the extent possible based on data availability, the
8 evaluation must:

9 (a) Assess both short-term and long-term outcomes for participants
10 in the program, including educational and social outcomes;

11 (b) Examine the impact of variables including, but not limited to,
12 program fiscal support, staff salaries, staff retention, education
13 level of staff, full-day programming, half-day programming, and
14 classroom size on short-term and long-term outcomes for program
15 participants;

16 (c) Report findings from a review of the research evidence on
17 components of successful early education program strategies;

18 (d) Examine characteristics of parents participating in the early
19 childhood and education assistance program; and

20 (e) Examine family support services provided through early
21 childhood programs.

22 (2) The institute shall submit a report to the appropriate
23 committees of the legislature by December 15, 2014.

24 (3) This section expires on December 31, 2014."
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26 On page 3, line 3, after "act)," insert "43.215.143 (as recodified
27 by this act)"

1 On page 4, line 1, after "43.215.141" strike "and 43.215.142" and
2 insert ", 43.215.142, and 43.215.143"

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4 Correct the title.

EFFECT:

- Includes the language "to the extent possible based on data availability" to the provision detailing research questions and study design for the Washington State Institute for Public Policy evaluation.
- Adds that the evaluation must examine the impact of specific variables on short-term and long-term outcomes for program participants.
- Adds that the evaluation must examine characteristics of parents participating in the early childhood and education assistance program.
- Adds an expiration date to the provision requiring an evaluation.
- Makes a technical fix to include the recodification of RCW 43.215.143 (short title) under the subchapter heading "Early Childhood and Assistance Program" in chapter 43.215 RCW.

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