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By Committee on Human Services & Corrections

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The legislature finds that the federal
4 fostering connections to success and increasing adoptions act of 2008
5 provides important new opportunities to increase the impact of state
6 funding through maximizing the amount of federal funding available to
7 promote permanency and positive outcomes for dependent youth.

8 (2) The legislature also finds that children and adolescents who
9 are legal dependents of Washington state have experienced significant
10 trauma and loss, putting them at increased risk for poor life outcomes.
11 Longitudinal research on the adult functioning of former foster youth
12 indicates a disproportionate likelihood that youth aging out of foster
13 care and those who spent several years in care will experience poor
14 outcomes in a variety of areas, including limited human capital upon
15 which to build economic security and inability to fully take advantage
16 of secondary and postsecondary educational opportunities, untreated
17 mental or behavioral health problems, involvement in the criminal
18 justice and corrections systems, and early parenthood combined with
19 second-generation child welfare involvement.

20 (3) The legislature further finds that research also demonstrates
21 that access to adequate and appropriate supports during the period of
22 transition from foster care to independence can have significant
23 positive impacts on adult functioning and can improve outcomes relating
24 to educational attainment and postsecondary enrollment, employment and
25 earnings, and reduced rates of teen pregnancies.

26 **Sec. 2.** RCW 13.34.030 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 36 s 13 are each
27 reenacted and amended to read as follows:

28 For purposes of this chapter:

1 (1) "Abandoned" means when the child's parent, guardian, or other
2 custodian has expressed, either by statement or conduct, an intent to
3 forego, for an extended period, parental rights or responsibilities
4 despite an ability to exercise such rights and responsibilities. If
5 the court finds that the petitioner has exercised due diligence in
6 attempting to locate the parent, no contact between the child and the
7 child's parent, guardian, or other custodian for a period of three
8 months creates a rebuttable presumption of abandonment, even if there
9 is no expressed intent to abandon.

10 (2) "Child," "juvenile," and "youth" means:

11 (a) Any individual under the age of eighteen years; or

12 (b) Any individual age eighteen to twenty-one years who is eligible
13 to receive and who elects to receive the extended foster care services
14 authorized under RCW 74.13.031. A youth who remains dependent and who
15 receives extended foster care services under RCW 74.13.031 shall not be
16 considered a "child" under any other statute or for any other purpose.

17 (3) "Current placement episode" means the period of time that
18 begins with the most recent date that the child was removed from the
19 home of the parent, guardian, or legal custodian for purposes of
20 placement in out-of-home care and continues until: (a) The child
21 returns home; (b) an adoption decree, a permanent custody order, or
22 guardianship order is entered; or (c) the dependency is dismissed,
23 whichever occurs first.

24 (4) "Department" means the department of social and health
25 services.

26 (5) "Dependency guardian" means the person, nonprofit corporation,
27 or Indian tribe appointed by the court pursuant to this chapter for the
28 limited purpose of assisting the court in the supervision of the
29 dependency.

30 (6) "Dependent child" means any child who:

31 (a) Has been abandoned;

32 (b) Is abused or neglected as defined in chapter 26.44 RCW by a
33 person legally responsible for the care of the child;

34 (c) Has no parent, guardian, or custodian capable of adequately
35 caring for the child, such that the child is in circumstances which
36 constitute a danger of substantial damage to the child's psychological
37 or physical development; or

1 (d) Is receiving extended foster care services, as authorized by
2 RCW 74.13.031.

3 (7) "Developmental disability" means a disability attributable to
4 intellectual disability, cerebral palsy, epilepsy, autism, or another
5 neurological or other condition of an individual found by the secretary
6 to be closely related to an intellectual disability or to require
7 treatment similar to that required for individuals with intellectual
8 disabilities, which disability originates before the individual attains
9 age eighteen, which has continued or can be expected to continue
10 indefinitely, and which constitutes a substantial limitation to the
11 individual.

12 (8) "Extended foster care services" means residential and other
13 support services the department is authorized to provide under RCW
14 74.13.031. These services may include placement in licensed, relative,
15 or otherwise approved care, or supervised independent living settings;
16 assistance in meeting basic needs; independent living services; medical
17 assistance; and counseling or treatment.

18 (9) "Guardian" means the person or agency that: (a) Has been
19 appointed as the guardian of a child in a legal proceeding, including
20 a guardian appointed pursuant to chapter 13.36 RCW; and (b) has the
21 legal right to custody of the child pursuant to such appointment. The
22 term "guardian" does not include a "dependency guardian" appointed
23 pursuant to a proceeding under this chapter.

24 (10) "Guardian ad litem" means a person, appointed by the court to
25 represent the best interests of a child in a proceeding under this
26 chapter, or in any matter which may be consolidated with a proceeding
27 under this chapter. A "court-appointed special advocate" appointed by
28 the court to be the guardian ad litem for the child, or to perform
29 substantially the same duties and functions as a guardian ad litem,
30 shall be deemed to be guardian ad litem for all purposes and uses of
31 this chapter.

32 (11) "Guardian ad litem program" means a court-authorized volunteer
33 program, which is or may be established by the superior court of the
34 county in which such proceeding is filed, to manage all aspects of
35 volunteer guardian ad litem representation for children alleged or
36 found to be dependent. Such management shall include but is not
37 limited to: Recruitment, screening, training, supervision, assignment,
38 and discharge of volunteers.

1 (12) "Housing assistance" means appropriate referrals by the
2 department or other supervising agencies to federal, state, local, or
3 private agencies or organizations, assistance with forms, applications,
4 or financial subsidies or other monetary assistance for housing. For
5 purposes of this chapter, "housing assistance" is not a remedial
6 service or time-limited family reunification service as described in
7 RCW 13.34.025(2).

8 (13) "Indigent" means a person who, at any stage of a court
9 proceeding, is:

10 (a) Receiving one of the following types of public assistance:
11 Temporary assistance for needy families, aged, blind, or disabled
12 assistance benefits, medical care services under RCW 74.09.035,
13 pregnant women assistance benefits, poverty-related veterans' benefits,
14 food stamps or food stamp benefits transferred electronically, refugee
15 resettlement benefits, medicaid, or supplemental security income; or

16 (b) Involuntarily committed to a public mental health facility; or

17 (c) Receiving an annual income, after taxes, of one hundred twenty-
18 five percent or less of the federally established poverty level; or

19 (d) Unable to pay the anticipated cost of counsel for the matter
20 before the court because his or her available funds are insufficient to
21 pay any amount for the retention of counsel.

22 (14) "Out-of-home care" means placement in a foster family home or
23 group care facility licensed pursuant to chapter 74.15 RCW or placement
24 in a home, other than that of the child's parent, guardian, or legal
25 custodian, not required to be licensed pursuant to chapter 74.15 RCW.

26 (15) "Preventive services" means preservation services, as defined
27 in chapter 74.14C RCW, and other reasonably available services,
28 including housing assistance, capable of preventing the need for out-
29 of-home placement while protecting the child.

30 (16) "Shelter care" means temporary physical care in a facility
31 licensed pursuant to RCW 74.15.030 or in a home not required to be
32 licensed pursuant to RCW 74.15.030.

33 (17) "Sibling" means a child's birth brother, birth sister,
34 adoptive brother, adoptive sister, half-brother, or half-sister, or as
35 defined by the law or custom of the Indian child's tribe for an Indian
36 child as defined in RCW 13.38.040.

37 (18) "Social study" means a written evaluation of matters relevant

1 to the disposition of the case and shall contain the following
2 information:

3 (a) A statement of the specific harm or harms to the child that
4 intervention is designed to alleviate;

5 (b) A description of the specific services and activities, for both
6 the parents and child, that are needed in order to prevent serious harm
7 to the child; the reasons why such services and activities are likely
8 to be useful; the availability of any proposed services; and the
9 agency's overall plan for ensuring that the services will be delivered.
10 The description shall identify the services chosen and approved by the
11 parent;

12 (c) If removal is recommended, a full description of the reasons
13 why the child cannot be protected adequately in the home, including a
14 description of any previous efforts to work with the parents and the
15 child in the home; the in-home treatment programs that have been
16 considered and rejected; the preventive services, including housing
17 assistance, that have been offered or provided and have failed to
18 prevent the need for out-of-home placement, unless the health, safety,
19 and welfare of the child cannot be protected adequately in the home;
20 and the parents' attitude toward placement of the child;

21 (d) A statement of the likely harms the child will suffer as a
22 result of removal;

23 (e) A description of the steps that will be taken to minimize the
24 harm to the child that may result if separation occurs including an
25 assessment of the child's relationship and emotional bond with any
26 siblings, and the agency's plan to provide ongoing contact between the
27 child and the child's siblings if appropriate; and

28 (f) Behavior that will be expected before determination that
29 supervision of the family or placement is no longer necessary.

30 (19) "Supervising agency" means an agency licensed by the state
31 under RCW 74.15.090, or licensed by a federally recognized Indian tribe
32 located in this state under RCW 74.15.190, that has entered into a
33 performance-based contract with the department to provide case
34 management for the delivery and documentation of child welfare services
35 as defined in RCW 74.13.020.

36 (20) "Nonminor dependent" means any individual age eighteen to
37 twenty-one years who is participating in extended foster care services
38 authorized under RCW 74.13.031.

1 (21) "Supervised independent living" includes, but is not limited
2 to, apartment living, room and board arrangements, college or
3 university dormitories, and shared roommate settings. Supervised
4 independent living settings must be approved by the children's
5 administration or the court.

6 **Sec. 3.** RCW 13.34.145 and 2011 c 330 s 6 are each amended to read
7 as follows:

8 (1) The purpose of a permanency planning hearing is to review the
9 permanency plan for the child, inquire into the welfare of the child
10 and progress of the case, and reach decisions regarding the permanent
11 placement of the child.

12 (a) A permanency planning hearing shall be held in all cases where
13 the child has remained in out-of-home care for at least nine months and
14 an adoption decree, guardianship order, or permanent custody order has
15 not previously been entered. The hearing shall take place no later
16 than twelve months following commencement of the current placement
17 episode.

18 (b) Whenever a child is removed from the home of a dependency
19 guardian or long-term relative or foster care provider, and the child
20 is not returned to the home of the parent, guardian, or legal custodian
21 but is placed in out-of-home care, a permanency planning hearing shall
22 take place no later than twelve months, as provided in this section,
23 following the date of removal unless, prior to the hearing, the child
24 returns to the home of the dependency guardian or long-term care
25 provider, the child is placed in the home of the parent, guardian, or
26 legal custodian, an adoption decree, guardianship order, or a permanent
27 custody order is entered, or the dependency is dismissed. Every effort
28 shall be made to provide stability in long-term placement, and to avoid
29 disruption of placement, unless the child is being returned home or it
30 is in the best interest of the child.

31 (c) Permanency planning goals should be achieved at the earliest
32 possible date, preferably before the child has been in out-of-home care
33 for fifteen months. In cases where parental rights have been
34 terminated, the child is legally free for adoption, and adoption has
35 been identified as the primary permanency planning goal, it shall be a
36 goal to complete the adoption within six months following entry of the
37 termination order.

1 (2) No later than ten working days prior to the permanency planning
2 hearing, the agency having custody of the child shall submit a written
3 permanency plan to the court and shall mail a copy of the plan to all
4 parties and their legal counsel, if any.

5 (3) When the youth is at least age seventeen years but not older
6 than seventeen years and six months, the department shall provide the
7 youth with written documentation which explains the availability of
8 extended foster care services and detailed instructions regarding how
9 the youth may access such services after he or she reaches age eighteen
10 years.

11 (4) At the permanency planning hearing, the court shall conduct the
12 following inquiry:

13 (a) If a goal of long-term foster or relative care has been
14 achieved prior to the permanency planning hearing, the court shall
15 review the child's status to determine whether the placement and the
16 plan for the child's care remain appropriate.

17 (b) In cases where the primary permanency planning goal has not
18 been achieved, the court shall inquire regarding the reasons why the
19 primary goal has not been achieved and determine what needs to be done
20 to make it possible to achieve the primary goal. The court shall
21 review the permanency plan prepared by the agency and make explicit
22 findings regarding each of the following:

23 (i) The continuing necessity for, and the safety and
24 appropriateness of, the placement;

25 (ii) The extent of compliance with the permanency plan by the
26 department or supervising agency and any other service providers, the
27 child's parents, the child, and the child's guardian, if any;

28 (iii) The extent of any efforts to involve appropriate service
29 providers in addition to department or supervising agency staff in
30 planning to meet the special needs of the child and the child's
31 parents;

32 (iv) The progress toward eliminating the causes for the child's
33 placement outside of his or her home and toward returning the child
34 safely to his or her home or obtaining a permanent placement for the
35 child;

36 (v) The date by which it is likely that the child will be returned
37 to his or her home or placed for adoption, with a guardian or in some
38 other alternative permanent placement; and

1 (vi) If the child has been placed outside of his or her home for
2 fifteen of the most recent twenty-two months, not including any period
3 during which the child was a runaway from the out-of-home placement or
4 the first six months of any period during which the child was returned
5 to his or her home for a trial home visit, the appropriateness of the
6 permanency plan, whether reasonable efforts were made by the department
7 or supervising agency to achieve the goal of the permanency plan, and
8 the circumstances which prevent the child from any of the following:

9 (A) Being returned safely to his or her home;

10 (B) Having a petition for the involuntary termination of parental
11 rights filed on behalf of the child;

12 (C) Being placed for adoption;

13 (D) Being placed with a guardian;

14 (E) Being placed in the home of a fit and willing relative of the
15 child; or

16 (F) Being placed in some other alternative permanent placement,
17 including independent living or long-term foster care.

18 At this hearing, the court shall order the department or
19 supervising agency to file a petition seeking termination of parental
20 rights if the child has been in out-of-home care for fifteen of the
21 last twenty-two months since the date the dependency petition was filed
22 unless the court makes a good cause exception as to why the filing of
23 a termination of parental rights petition is not appropriate. Any good
24 cause finding shall be reviewed at all subsequent hearings pertaining
25 to the child. For purposes of this section, "good cause exception"
26 includes but is not limited to the following: The child is being cared
27 for by a relative; the department has not provided to the child's
28 family such services as the court and the department have deemed
29 necessary for the child's safe return home; or the department has
30 documented in the case plan a compelling reason for determining that
31 filing a petition to terminate parental rights would not be in the
32 child's best interests.

33 (c)(i) If the permanency plan identifies independent living as a
34 goal, the court shall make a finding that the provision of services to
35 assist the child in making a transition from foster care to independent
36 living will allow the child to manage his or her financial, personal,
37 social, educational, and nonfinancial affairs prior to approving

1 independent living as a permanency plan of care. The court will
2 inquire whether the child has been provided information about extended
3 foster care services.

4 (ii) The permanency plan shall also specifically identify the
5 services, including extended foster care services, where appropriate,
6 that will be provided to assist the child to make a successful
7 transition from foster care to independent living.

8 (iii) The department or supervising agency shall not discharge a
9 child to an independent living situation before the child is eighteen
10 years of age unless the child becomes emancipated pursuant to chapter
11 13.64 RCW.

12 (d) If the child has resided in the home of a foster parent or
13 relative for more than six months prior to the permanency planning
14 hearing, the court shall:

15 (i) Enter a finding regarding whether the foster parent or relative
16 was informed of the hearing as required in RCW 74.13.280, 13.34.215(6),
17 and 13.34.096; and

18 (ii) If the department or supervising agency is recommending a
19 placement other than the child's current placement with a foster
20 parent, relative, or other suitable person, enter a finding as to the
21 reasons for the recommendation for a change in placement.

22 (~~(4)~~) (5) In all cases, at the permanency planning hearing, the
23 court shall:

24 (a)(i) Order the permanency plan prepared by the supervising agency
25 to be implemented; or

26 (ii) Modify the permanency plan, and order implementation of the
27 modified plan; and

28 (b)(i) Order the child returned home only if the court finds that
29 a reason for removal as set forth in RCW 13.34.130 no longer exists; or

30 (ii) Order the child to remain in out-of-home care for a limited
31 specified time period while efforts are made to implement the
32 permanency plan.

33 (~~(5)~~) (6) Following the first permanency planning hearing, the
34 court shall hold a further permanency planning hearing in accordance
35 with this section at least once every twelve months until a permanency
36 planning goal is achieved or the dependency is dismissed, whichever
37 occurs first.

1 ~~((+6+))~~ (7) Prior to the second permanency planning hearing, the
2 agency that has custody of the child shall consider whether to file a
3 petition for termination of parental rights.

4 ~~((+7+))~~ (8) If the court orders the child returned home, casework
5 supervision by the department or supervising agency shall continue for
6 at least six months, at which time a review hearing shall be held
7 pursuant to RCW 13.34.138, and the court shall determine the need for
8 continued intervention.

9 ~~((+8+))~~ (9) The juvenile court may hear a petition for permanent
10 legal custody when: (a) The court has ordered implementation of a
11 permanency plan that includes permanent legal custody; and (b) the
12 party pursuing the permanent legal custody is the party identified in
13 the permanency plan as the prospective legal custodian. During the
14 pendency of such proceeding, the court shall conduct review hearings
15 and further permanency planning hearings as provided in this chapter.
16 At the conclusion of the legal guardianship or permanent legal custody
17 proceeding, a juvenile court hearing shall be held for the purpose of
18 determining whether dependency should be dismissed. If a guardianship
19 or permanent custody order has been entered, the dependency shall be
20 dismissed.

21 ~~((+9+))~~ (10) Continued juvenile court jurisdiction under this
22 chapter shall not be a barrier to the entry of an order establishing a
23 legal guardianship or permanent legal custody when the requirements of
24 subsection ~~((+8+))~~ (9) of this section are met.

25 ~~((+10+))~~ (11) Nothing in this chapter may be construed to limit the
26 ability of the agency that has custody of the child to file a petition
27 for termination of parental rights or a guardianship petition at any
28 time following the establishment of dependency. Upon the filing of
29 such a petition, a fact-finding hearing shall be scheduled and held in
30 accordance with this chapter unless the department or supervising
31 agency requests dismissal of the petition prior to the hearing or
32 unless the parties enter an agreed order terminating parental rights,
33 establishing guardianship, or otherwise resolving the matter.

34 ~~((+11+))~~ (12) The approval of a permanency plan that does not
35 contemplate return of the child to the parent does not relieve the
36 supervising agency of its obligation to provide reasonable services,
37 under this chapter, intended to effectuate the return of the child to

1 the parent, including but not limited to, visitation rights. The court
2 shall consider the child's relationships with siblings in accordance
3 with RCW 13.34.130.

4 ~~((+12))~~ (13) Nothing in this chapter may be construed to limit the
5 procedural due process rights of any party in a termination or
6 guardianship proceeding filed under this chapter.

7 **Sec. 4.** RCW 13.34.267 and 2012 c 52 s 4 are each amended to read
8 as follows:

9 (1)(a) In order to facilitate the delivery of extended foster care
10 services, the court shall postpone for six months the dismissal of a
11 dependency proceeding for any ~~((child))~~ youth who is ~~((a))~~ dependent
12 ~~((child))~~ and in foster care or juvenile rehabilitation administration
13 institution at the age of eighteen years ~~((and who, at the time of his~~
14 ~~or her eighteenth birthday is:~~

15 ~~(a) Enrolled in a secondary education program or a secondary~~
16 ~~education equivalency program; or~~

17 ~~(b) Enrolled in a postsecondary academic or postsecondary~~
18 ~~vocational program, or has applied for and can demonstrate that he or~~
19 ~~she intends to timely enroll in a postsecondary academic or~~
20 ~~postsecondary vocational program)).~~

21 ~~((+2)(a))~~ (b) The six-month postponement under this subsection is
22 intended to allow a reasonable window of opportunity for an eligible
23 ~~((youth who reaches the age of eighteen))~~ nonminor dependent to request
24 extended foster care services from the department or supervising
25 agency. ~~((The court shall dismiss the dependency if the youth:~~

26 ~~(i) Has not requested extended foster care services from the~~
27 ~~department by the end of the six-month period; or~~

28 ~~(ii) Is no longer eligible for extended foster care services under~~
29 ~~RCW 74.13.031(10) at any point during the six-month period.~~

30 ~~(b))~~ (2) A nonminor dependent is eligible for extended foster care
31 services if, at any time during the six-month postponement period, the
32 nonminor dependent is:

33 (a) Enrolled in a secondary education program or a secondary
34 education equivalency program;

35 (b) Enrolled and participating in a postsecondary academic or
36 postsecondary vocational program, or has applied for and can

1 demonstrate that he or she intends to timely enroll in a postsecondary
2 academic or postsecondary vocational program; or

3 (c) Participating in a program or activity designed to promote
4 employment or remove barriers to employment.

5 (3) Until the ((youth)) nonminor dependent requests to participate
6 in the extended foster care program, the department is relieved of any
7 supervisory responsibility for the ((youth)) nonminor dependent.

8 ~~((3) A youth who participates in extended foster care while~~
9 ~~completing a secondary education or equivalency program may continue to~~
10 ~~receive extended foster care services for the purpose of participating~~
11 ~~in a postsecondary academic or postsecondary vocational education~~
12 ~~program if, at the time the secondary education or equivalency program~~
13 ~~is completed, the youth has applied to and can demonstrate that he or~~
14 ~~she intends to timely enroll in a postsecondary academic or vocational~~
15 ~~education program. The dependency shall be dismissed if the youth~~
16 ~~fails to timely enroll or continue in the postsecondary program, or~~
17 ~~reaches age twenty one, whichever is earlier.))~~

18 (4)(a) A nonminor dependent who elects to participate in the
19 extended foster care program may continue in a dependency and in
20 extended foster care until reaching the age of twenty-one or until the
21 nonminor dependent no longer meets the eligibility requirements set
22 forth in subsection (2)(a) through (c) of this section.

23 (b) The department's placement and care authority over a nonminor
24 dependent is solely for the purpose of providing extended foster care
25 services and does not create a legal responsibility for the actions of
26 the nonminor dependent in the program.

27 (5) The court shall dismiss the dependency if the nonminor
28 dependent:

29 (a) Has not requested extended foster care services from the
30 department by the end of the six-month period;

31 (b) Does not meet the eligibility requirements for extended foster
32 care services under subsection (2)(a) through (c) of this section or
33 under rules adopted by the department at any time after the nonminor
34 dependent begins participating in the extended foster care program; or

35 (c) Reaches the age of twenty-one.

36 (6) A youth receiving extended foster care services is a party to
37 the dependency proceeding. The youth's parent or guardian shall be

1 dismissed from the dependency proceeding when the youth reaches the age
2 of eighteen years.

3 ~~((+5))~~ (7) The court shall order a youth participating in extended
4 foster care services to be under the placement and care authority of
5 the department, subject to the youth's continuing agreement to
6 participate in extended foster care services. The department may
7 establish foster care rates appropriate to the needs of the youth
8 participating in extended foster care services.

9 ~~((+6))~~ (8) The court shall appoint counsel to represent a
10 ~~((youth))~~ nonminor dependent, as defined in RCW 13.34.030~~((+2)(b))~~, in
11 dependency proceedings under this section.

12 ~~((+7))~~ (9) The case plan for and delivery of services to a youth
13 receiving extended foster care services is subject to the review
14 requirements set forth in RCW 13.34.138 and 13.34.145, and should be
15 applied in a developmentally appropriate manner, as they relate to
16 ~~((youth age eighteen to twenty one years))~~ nonminor dependents.
17 Additionally, the court shall consider:

18 (a) Whether the ~~((youth))~~ nonminor dependent is safe in his or her
19 placement;

20 (b) Whether the ~~((youth))~~ nonminor dependent continues to be
21 eligible for extended foster care services;

22 (c) Whether the current placement is developmentally appropriate
23 for the ~~((youth))~~ nonminor dependent;

24 (d) The ~~((youth's))~~ nonminor dependent's development of independent
25 living skills; and

26 (e) The ~~((youth's))~~ nonminor dependent's overall progress toward
27 transitioning to full independence and the projected date for achieving
28 such transition.

29 ~~((+8))~~ (10) Prior to the review hearing, the ~~((youth's))~~ nonminor
30 dependent's attorney shall indicate whether there are any contested
31 issues and may provide additional information necessary for the court's
32 review.

33 ~~((+9))~~ ~~Upon the request of the youth, or when the youth is no longer~~
34 ~~eligible to receive extended foster care services according to rules~~
35 ~~adopted by the department, the court shall dismiss the dependency.))~~

36 **Sec. 5.** RCW 74.13.020 and 2012 c 205 s 12 are each amended to read
37 as follows:

1 For purposes of this chapter:

2 (1) "Case management" means convening family meetings, developing,
3 revising, and monitoring implementation of any case plan or individual
4 service and safety plan, coordinating and monitoring services needed by
5 the child and family, caseworker-child visits, family visits, and the
6 assumption of court-related duties, excluding legal representation,
7 including preparing court reports, attending judicial hearings and
8 permanency hearings, and ensuring that the child is progressing toward
9 permanency within state and federal mandates, including the Indian
10 child welfare act.

11 (2) "Child" means:

12 (a) A person less than eighteen years of age; or

13 (b) A person age eighteen to twenty-one years who is eligible to
14 receive the extended foster care services authorized under RCW
15 74.13.031.

16 (3) "Child protective services" has the same meaning as in RCW
17 26.44.020.

18 (4) "Child welfare services" means social services including
19 voluntary and in-home services, out-of-home care, case management, and
20 adoption services which strengthen, supplement, or substitute for,
21 parental care and supervision for the purpose of:

22 (a) Preventing or remedying, or assisting in the solution of
23 problems which may result in families in conflict, or the neglect,
24 abuse, exploitation, or criminal behavior of children;

25 (b) Protecting and caring for dependent, abused, or neglected
26 children;

27 (c) Assisting children who are in conflict with their parents, and
28 assisting parents who are in conflict with their children, with
29 services designed to resolve such conflicts;

30 (d) Protecting and promoting the welfare of children, including the
31 strengthening of their own homes where possible, or, where needed;

32 (e) Providing adequate care of children away from their homes in
33 foster family homes or day care or other child care agencies or
34 facilities.

35 "Child welfare services" does not include child protection
36 services.

37 (5) "Committee" means the child welfare transformation design
38 committee.

1 (6) "Department" means the department of social and health
2 services.

3 (7) "Extended foster care services" means residential and other
4 support services the department is authorized to provide to foster
5 children. These services may include(~~(, but are not limited to,)~~)
6 placement in licensed, relative, or otherwise approved care, or
7 supervised independent living settings; assistance in meeting basic
8 needs; independent living services; medical assistance; and counseling
9 or treatment.

10 (8) "Measurable effects" means a statistically significant change
11 which occurs as a result of the service or services a supervising
12 agency is assigned in a performance-based contract, in time periods
13 established in the contract.

14 (9) "Out-of-home care services" means services provided after the
15 shelter care hearing to or for children in out-of-home care, as that
16 term is defined in RCW 13.34.030, and their families, including the
17 recruitment, training, and management of foster parents, the
18 recruitment of adoptive families, and the facilitation of the adoption
19 process, family reunification, independent living, emergency shelter,
20 residential group care, and foster care, including relative placement.

21 (10) "Performance-based contracting" means the structuring of all
22 aspects of the procurement of services around the purpose of the work
23 to be performed and the desired results with the contract requirements
24 set forth in clear, specific, and objective terms with measurable
25 outcomes. Contracts shall also include provisions that link the
26 performance of the contractor to the level and timing of reimbursement.

27 (11) "Permanency services" means long-term services provided to
28 secure a child's safety, permanency, and well-being, including foster
29 care services, family reunification services, adoption services, and
30 preparation for independent living services.

31 (12) "Primary prevention services" means services which are
32 designed and delivered for the primary purpose of enhancing child and
33 family well-being and are shown, by analysis of outcomes, to reduce the
34 risk to the likelihood of the initial need for child welfare services.

35 (13) "Supervising agency" means an agency licensed by the state
36 under RCW 74.15.090, or licensed by a federally recognized Indian tribe
37 located in this state under RCW 74.15.190, that has entered into a
38 performance-based contract with the department to provide case

1 management for the delivery and documentation of child welfare
2 services, as defined in this section. This definition is applicable on
3 or after December 30, 2015.

4 (14) "Nonminor dependent" means any individual age eighteen to
5 twenty-one years who is participating in extended foster care services
6 authorized under RCW 74.13.031.

7 (15) "Supervised independent living" includes, but is not limited
8 to, apartment living, room and board arrangements, college or
9 university dormitories, and shared roommate settings. Supervised
10 independent living settings must be approved by the children's
11 administration or the court.

12 **Sec. 6.** RCW 74.13.020 and 2012 c 259 s 7 and 2012 c 205 s 12 are
13 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

14 For purposes of this chapter:

15 (1) "Case management" means convening family meetings, developing,
16 revising, and monitoring implementation of any case plan or individual
17 service and safety plan, coordinating and monitoring services needed by
18 the child and family, caseworker-child visits, family visits, and the
19 assumption of court-related duties, excluding legal representation,
20 including preparing court reports, attending judicial hearings and
21 permanency hearings, and ensuring that the child is progressing toward
22 permanency within state and federal mandates, including the Indian
23 child welfare act.

24 (2) "Child" means:

25 (a) A person less than eighteen years of age; or

26 (b) A person age eighteen to twenty-one years who is eligible to
27 receive the extended foster care services authorized under RCW
28 74.13.031.

29 (3) "Child protective services" has the same meaning as in RCW
30 26.44.020.

31 (4) "Child welfare services" means social services including
32 voluntary and in-home services, out-of-home care, case management, and
33 adoption services which strengthen, supplement, or substitute for,
34 parental care and supervision for the purpose of:

35 (a) Preventing or remedying, or assisting in the solution of
36 problems which may result in families in conflict, or the neglect,
37 abuse, exploitation, or criminal behavior of children;

1 (b) Protecting and caring for dependent, abused, or neglected
2 children;

3 (c) Assisting children who are in conflict with their parents, and
4 assisting parents who are in conflict with their children, with
5 services designed to resolve such conflicts;

6 (d) Protecting and promoting the welfare of children, including the
7 strengthening of their own homes where possible, or, where needed;

8 (e) Providing adequate care of children away from their homes in
9 foster family homes or day care or other child care agencies or
10 facilities.

11 "Child welfare services" does not include child protection
12 services.

13 (5) "Committee" means the child welfare transformation design
14 committee.

15 (6) "Department" means the department of social and health
16 services.

17 (7) "Extended foster care services" means residential and other
18 support services the department is authorized to provide to foster
19 children. These services include, but are not limited to, placement in
20 licensed, relative, or otherwise approved care, or supervised
21 independent living settings; assistance in meeting basic needs;
22 independent living services; medical assistance; and counseling or
23 treatment.

24 (8) "Family assessment" means a comprehensive assessment of child
25 safety, risk of subsequent child abuse or neglect, and family strengths
26 and needs that is applied to a child abuse or neglect report. Family
27 assessment does not include a determination as to whether child abuse
28 or neglect occurred, but does determine the need for services to
29 address the safety of the child and the risk of subsequent
30 maltreatment.

31 (9) "Measurable effects" means a statistically significant change
32 which occurs as a result of the service or services a supervising
33 agency is assigned in a performance-based contract, in time periods
34 established in the contract.

35 (10) "Out-of-home care services" means services provided after the
36 shelter care hearing to or for children in out-of-home care, as that
37 term is defined in RCW 13.34.030, and their families, including the
38 recruitment, training, and management of foster parents, the

1 recruitment of adoptive families, and the facilitation of the adoption
2 process, family reunification, independent living, emergency shelter,
3 residential group care, and foster care, including relative placement.

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29 to, apartment living, room and board arrangements, college or
30 university dormitories, and shared roommate settings. Supervised
31 independent living settings must be approved by the children's
32 administration or the court.

33 **Sec. 7.** RCW 74.13.031 and 2012 c 52 s 2 are each amended to read
34 as follows:

35 (1) The department and supervising agencies shall develop,
36 administer, supervise, and monitor a coordinated and comprehensive plan

1 that establishes, aids, and strengthens services for the protection and
2 care of runaway, dependent, or neglected children.

3 (2) Within available resources, the department and supervising
4 agencies shall recruit an adequate number of prospective adoptive and
5 foster homes, both regular and specialized, i.e. homes for children of
6 ethnic minority, including Indian homes for Indian children, sibling
7 groups, handicapped and emotionally disturbed, teens, pregnant and
8 parenting teens, and the department shall annually report to the
9 governor and the legislature concerning the department's and
10 supervising agency's success in: (a) Meeting the need for adoptive and
11 foster home placements; (b) reducing the foster parent turnover rate;
12 (c) completing home studies for legally free children; and (d)
13 implementing and operating the passport program required by RCW
14 74.13.285. The report shall include a section entitled "Foster Home
15 Turn-Over, Causes and Recommendations."

16 (3) The department shall investigate complaints of any recent act
17 or failure to act on the part of a parent or caretaker that results in
18 death, serious physical or emotional harm, or sexual abuse or
19 exploitation, or that presents an imminent risk of serious harm, and on
20 the basis of the findings of such investigation, offer child welfare
21 services in relation to the problem to such parents, legal custodians,
22 or persons serving in loco parentis, and/or bring the situation to the
23 attention of an appropriate court, or another community agency. An
24 investigation is not required of nonaccidental injuries which are
25 clearly not the result of a lack of care or supervision by the child's
26 parents, legal custodians, or persons serving in loco parentis. If the
27 investigation reveals that a crime against a child may have been
28 committed, the department shall notify the appropriate law enforcement
29 agency.

30 (4) The department or supervising agencies shall offer, on a
31 voluntary basis, family reconciliation services to families who are in
32 conflict.

33 (5) The department or supervising agencies shall monitor placements
34 of children in out-of-home care and in-home dependencies to assure the
35 safety, well-being, and quality of care being provided is within the
36 scope of the intent of the legislature as defined in RCW 74.13.010 and
37 74.15.010. Under this section children in out-of-home care and in-home
38 dependencies and their caregivers shall receive a private and

1 individual face-to-face visit each month. The department and the
2 supervising agencies shall randomly select no less than ten percent of
3 the caregivers currently providing care to receive one unannounced
4 face-to-face visit in the caregiver's home per year. No caregiver will
5 receive an unannounced visit through the random selection process for
6 two consecutive years. If the caseworker makes a good faith effort to
7 conduct the unannounced visit to a caregiver and is unable to do so,
8 that month's visit to that caregiver need not be unannounced. The
9 department and supervising agencies are encouraged to group monthly
10 visits to caregivers by geographic area so that in the event an
11 unannounced visit cannot be completed, the caseworker may complete
12 other required monthly visits. The department shall use a method of
13 random selection that does not cause a fiscal impact to the department.

14 The department or supervising agencies shall conduct the monthly
15 visits with children and caregivers to whom it is providing child
16 welfare services.

17 (6) The department and supervising agencies shall have authority to
18 accept custody of children from parents and to accept custody of
19 children from juvenile courts, where authorized to do so under law, to
20 provide child welfare services including placement for adoption, to
21 provide for the routine and necessary medical, dental, and mental
22 health care, or necessary emergency care of the children, and to
23 provide for the physical care of such children and make payment of
24 maintenance costs if needed. Except where required by Public Law 95-
25 608 (25 U.S.C. Sec. 1915), no private adoption agency which receives
26 children for adoption from the department shall discriminate on the
27 basis of race, creed, or color when considering applications in their
28 placement for adoption.

29 (7) The department and supervising agency shall have authority to
30 provide temporary shelter to children who have run away from home and
31 who are admitted to crisis residential centers.

32 (8) The department and supervising agency shall have authority to
33 purchase care for children.

34 (9) The department shall establish a children's services advisory
35 committee with sufficient members representing supervising agencies
36 which shall assist the secretary in the development of a partnership
37 plan for utilizing resources of the public and private sectors, and

1 advise on all matters pertaining to child welfare, licensing of child
2 care agencies, adoption, and services related thereto. At least one
3 member shall represent the adoption community.

4 (10)(a) The department and supervising agencies shall ~~((have~~
5 ~~authority to))~~ provide continued extended foster care services to
6 ~~((youth ages eighteen to twenty-one years to participate in or~~
7 ~~complete))~~ nonminor dependents who are:

8 (i) Enrolled in a secondary education program or a secondary
9 education equivalency program(~~, or~~);

10 (ii) Enrolled and participating in a postsecondary academic or
11 postsecondary vocational education program; or

12 (iii) Participating in a program or activity designed to promote
13 employment or remove barriers to employment.

14 (b) The nonminor dependent must have an open dependency proceeding
15 at the time that he or she reaches age eighteen years, and the nonminor
16 dependent must request extended foster care services before reaching
17 age eighteen years and six months.

18 (c) The department shall develop and implement rules regarding
19 youth eligibility requirements.

20 (11) The department shall have authority to provide adoption
21 support benefits, or relative guardianship subsidies on behalf of youth
22 ages eighteen to twenty-one years who achieved permanency through
23 adoption or a relative guardianship at age sixteen or older and who
24 meet the criteria described in subsection (10) of this section.

25 (12) The department shall refer cases to the division of child
26 support whenever state or federal funds are expended for the care and
27 maintenance of a child, including a child with a developmental
28 disability who is placed as a result of an action under chapter 13.34
29 RCW, unless the department finds that there is good cause not to pursue
30 collection of child support against the parent or parents of the child.
31 Cases involving individuals age eighteen through twenty shall not be
32 referred to the division of child support unless required by federal
33 law.

34 (13) The department and supervising agencies shall have authority
35 within funds appropriated for foster care services to purchase care for
36 Indian children who are in the custody of a federally recognized Indian
37 tribe or tribally licensed child-placing agency pursuant to parental
38 consent, tribal court order, or state juvenile court order; and the

1 purchase of such care shall be subject to the same eligibility
2 standards and rates of support applicable to other children for whom
3 the department purchases care.

4 Notwithstanding any other provision of RCW 13.32A.170 through
5 13.32A.200 and 74.13.032 through 74.13.036, or of this section all
6 services to be provided by the department under subsections (4), (6),
7 and (7) of this section, subject to the limitations of these
8 subsections, may be provided by any program offering such services
9 funded pursuant to Titles II and III of the federal juvenile justice
10 and delinquency prevention act of 1974.

11 (14) Within amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, the
12 supervising agency or department shall provide preventive services to
13 families with children that prevent or shorten the duration of an out-
14 of-home placement.

15 (15) The department and supervising agencies shall have authority
16 to provide independent living services to youths, including individuals
17 who have attained eighteen years of age, and have not attained twenty-
18 one years of age who are or have been in foster care.

19 (16) The department and supervising agencies shall consult at least
20 quarterly with foster parents, including members of the foster parent
21 association of Washington state, for the purpose of receiving
22 information and comment regarding how the department and supervising
23 agencies are performing the duties and meeting the obligations
24 specified in this section and RCW 74.13.250 and 74.13.320 regarding the
25 recruitment of foster homes, reducing foster parent turnover rates,
26 providing effective training for foster parents, and administering a
27 coordinated and comprehensive plan that strengthens services for the
28 protection of children. Consultation shall occur at the regional and
29 statewide levels.

30 (17)(a) The department shall, within current funding levels, place
31 on its public web site a document listing the duties and
32 responsibilities the department has to a child subject to a dependency
33 petition including, but not limited to, the following:

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35 reunification of the child with his or her family;

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2 suitable person, if appropriate; and

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4 the child to remain in the same school or school district, if practical
5 and in the child's best interests.

6 (b) The document must be prepared in conjunction with a community-
7 based organization and must be updated as needed.

8 **Sec. 8.** RCW 74.13.031 and 2012 c 259 s 8 and 2012 c 52 s 2 are
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33 or persons serving in loco parentis, and/or bring the situation to the
34 attention of an appropriate court, or another community agency. An
35 investigation is not required of nonaccidental injuries which are
36 clearly not the result of a lack of care or supervision by the child's
37 parents, legal custodians, or persons serving in loco parentis. If the

1 investigation reveals that a crime against a child may have been
2 committed, the department shall notify the appropriate law enforcement
3 agency.

4 (4) As provided in RCW 26.44.030(11), the department may respond to
5 a report of child abuse or neglect by using the family assessment
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9 conflict.

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22 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 9.** This act applies prospectively only and not
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25 effective date of this section; and

26 (2) Dependency matters for which a petition is filed on or after
27 the effective date of this section.

28 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 10.** Sections 5 and 7 of this act expire
29 December 1, 2013.

30 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 11.** Sections 6 and 8 of this act take effect
31 December 1, 2013."

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By Committee on Human Services & Corrections

NOT CONSIDERED

1 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "services;" strike the
2 remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 13.34.145, 13.34.267,
3 74.13.020, and 74.13.031; reenacting and amending RCW 13.34.030,
4 74.13.020, and 74.13.031; creating new sections; providing an effective
5 date; and providing an expiration date."

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