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1 AN ACT Relating to highway construction workforce development; and
2 amending RCW 47.01.435.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 47.01.435 and 2012 c 66 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) The department shall expend federal funds received by the
7 department, and funds that may be available to the department, under 23
8 U.S.C. Sec. 140(b) to increase diversity in the highway construction
9 workforce and prepare individuals interested in entering the highway
10 construction workforce by conducting activities in subsection (4) of
11 this section.

12 (2) The requirements contained in subsection (1) of this section do
13 not apply to or reduce the federal funds that would be otherwise
14 allocated to local government agencies.

15 (3) The department shall, (~~to the greatest extent practicable,~~)
16 in coordination with the apprenticeship and training council described
17 in chapter 49.04 RCW, expend (~~moneys from other sources~~) one million
18 nine hundred thousand dollars per year, or one-half of one percent of
19 federal highway surface transportation program capital funds, whichever

1 is less, for apprenticeship preparation and support services. These
2 funds may be reduced by the amount of funds expended from sources other
3 than those specified in subsection (1) of this section for the
4 activities in subsection (4) of this section.

5 (4) The department shall coordinate with the apprenticeship and
6 training council to provide any portion of the following services:

7 (a) Preapprenticeship programs approved by the apprenticeship and
8 training council;

9 (b) Preemployment counseling;

10 (c) Orientations on the highway construction industry, including
11 outreach to women, minorities, and other disadvantaged individuals;

12 (d) Basic skills improvement classes;

13 (e) Career counseling;

14 (f) Remedial training;

15 (g) Entry requirements for training programs;

16 (h) Supportive services and assistance with transportation;

17 (i) Child care and special needs;

18 (j) Job site mentoring and retention services; (~~and~~)

19 (k) Assistance with tools, protective clothing, and other related
20 support for employment costs; and

21 (l) The recruitment of women and persons of color to participate in
22 the apprenticeship program at the department.

23 (5) The department, in coordination with the apprenticeship and
24 training council, shall submit a report to the transportation
25 committees of the legislature by December 1st of each year beginning in
26 2012. The report must contain:

27 (a) An analysis of the results of the activities in subsection (4)
28 of this section;

29 (b) The amount available to the department from federal funds for
30 the activities in subsection (4) of this section and the amount
31 expended for those activities; and

32 (c) The performance outcomes achieved from each activity, including
33 the number of persons receiving services, training, and employment.

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