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By Representatives Harris, Jenkins, Haler, and Riccelli

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1            AN ACT Relating to containing the scope and costs of the diabetes  
2 epidemic in Washington; and adding a new chapter to Title 70 RCW.

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

4            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.** The health care authority, department of  
5 social and health services, and department of health shall  
6 collaborate to identify goals and benchmarks while also developing  
7 individual agency plans to reduce the incidence of diabetes in  
8 Washington, improve diabetes care, and control complications  
9 associated with diabetes.

10           NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 2.** The health care authority, department of  
11 social and health services, and department of health shall each  
12 submit a report to the governor and the legislature by December 31,  
13 2017, and every second year thereafter, on the following:

14           (1) The financial impact and reach diabetes of all types is  
15 having on programs administered by each agency and individuals  
16 enrolled in those programs. Items included in this assessment must  
17 include the number of lives with diabetes impacted or covered by  
18 programs administered by the agency, the number of lives with  
19 diabetes and family members impacted by prevention and diabetes  
20 control programs implemented by the agency, the financial toll or

1 impact diabetes and its complications places on these programs, and  
2 the financial toll or impact diabetes and its complications places on  
3 these programs in comparison to other chronic diseases and  
4 conditions;

5 (2) An assessment of the benefits of implemented programs and  
6 activities aimed at controlling diabetes and preventing the disease.  
7 This assessment must also document the amount and source for any  
8 funding directed to the agency for programs and activities aimed at  
9 reaching those with diabetes;

10 (3) A description of the level of coordination existing between  
11 the agencies on activities, programmatic activities, and messaging on  
12 managing, treating, or preventing all forms of diabetes and its  
13 complications;

14 (4) A development or revision of detailed action plans for  
15 battling diabetes with a range of actionable items for consideration  
16 by the legislature. The plans must identify proposed action steps to  
17 reduce the impact of diabetes, prediabetes, and related diabetes  
18 complications. The plan must also identify expected outcomes of the  
19 action steps proposed in the following biennium while also  
20 establishing benchmarks for controlling and preventing relevant forms  
21 of diabetes; and

22 (5) An estimate of costs and resources required to implement the  
23 plan identified in subsection (4) of this section.

24 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** Sections 1 and 2 of this act constitute a  
25 new chapter in Title 70 RCW.

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