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1 AN ACT Relating to ensuring that equitable COVID-19 vaccine dose
2 allocation is considered before a county may be reverted to a more
3 restrictive phase under the healthy Washington: Roadmap to recovery
4 plan; creating a new section; and declaring an emergency.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** In addition to the other indicators that
7 apply under the healthy Washington: Roadmap to recovery plan, the
8 department of health shall monitor the status of each county on a
9 weekly basis with respect to its COVID-19 vaccine dose allocation to
10 determine whether each county is receiving an equitable share of
11 COVID-19 vaccine doses in proportion to the state's allocation. If
12 the department of health determines that a county is in danger of
13 being reverted to a more restrictive phase, the department shall
14 immediately adjust the vaccine dose allocation to ensure that the
15 county will receive an allocation of COVID-19 vaccine doses that does
16 not fall below the statewide average allocation for counties. A
17 county that has not received an equitable share of COVID-19 vaccine
18 doses in proportion to the state's allocation may not be reverted to
19 a more restrictive phase.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate
2 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of
3 the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes
4 effect immediately.

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