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1 AN ACT Relating to establishing a grant program for the purchase  
2 and distribution of essential baby products; and adding a new section  
3 to chapter 43.330 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.330  
6 RCW to read as follows:

7 (1) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this  
8 specific purpose, the department must administer a grant program to  
9 provide grants to providers that operate diaper banks. Grant funding  
10 must be used for the purchase of diapers, wipes, and other essential  
11 baby products for distribution to families in need.

12 (2) Providers must apply for grant funding in a manner and on a  
13 timeline determined by the department.

14 (3) The department must prioritize grants to providers serving or  
15 located in marginalized low-income communities or communities of  
16 color that are members of the national diaper bank network or  
17 equivalent successor organization, or, in communities where a  
18 national diaper bank network member does not exist, providers with  
19 sufficient storage, purchasing ability, and distribution capacity to  
20 manage the grant, and at least a two-year track record of  
21 distributing baby or other family essentials goods at scale.

1           (4) By December 1, 2025, and on an annual basis thereafter, the  
2 department must publish a report on its website detailing grants  
3 awarded through the program.

4           (5) The department may adopt rules to implement this section.

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