
HOUSE BILL 2531

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By Representatives Patterson, Talcott, Tokuda, Cooke, Ogden, Dickerson and Basich

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1 AN ACT Relating to the council for the prevention of child abuse
2 and neglect; and amending RCW 43.121.020.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.121.020 and 1994 c 48 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) There is established in the executive office of the governor a
7 Washington council for the prevention of child abuse and neglect
8 subject to the jurisdiction of the governor.

9 (2) The council shall be composed of the chairperson and (~~twelve~~)
10 thirteen other members as follows:

11 (a) The chairperson and six other members shall be appointed by the
12 governor and shall be selected for their interest and expertise in the
13 prevention of child abuse. A minimum of four designees by the governor
14 shall not be affiliated with governmental agencies. The appointments
15 shall be made on a geographic basis to assure state-wide
16 representation. Members appointed by the governor shall serve for
17 three-year terms. Vacancies shall be filled for any unexpired term by
18 appointment in the same manner as the original appointments were made.

1 (b) The secretary of social and health services or the secretary's
2 designee ~~((and))~~, the superintendent of public instruction or the
3 superintendent's designee, and the secretary of the department of
4 health or the secretary's designee shall serve as voting members of the
5 council.

6 (c) In addition to the members of the council, four members of the
7 legislature shall serve as nonvoting, ex officio members of the
8 council, one from each political caucus of the house of representatives
9 to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives and one
10 from each political caucus of the senate to be appointed by the
11 president of the senate.

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