

5 On page 59, after line 28, insert the following:

6 "(4) The department shall transfer amounts provided in this section
7 and from various other program administrative budgets to achieve the
8 following administrative cost savings:

9 (a) \$4,800,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal
10 year 2002, \$6,560,000 of the general fund--state appropriations for
11 fiscal year 2003, and \$7,760,000 of the general fund--federal
12 appropriation shall be reduced from the administrative support budgets
13 (category 9000) in economic service, juvenile rehabilitation, and
14 developmental disabilities sections by reducing administrative FTEs per
15 total program FTEs to the actual ratio of fiscal year 1997.

16 (b) \$14,000,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal
17 year 2002, \$19,000,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for
18 fiscal year 2003, and \$27,000,000 of the general fund--federal
19 appropriation shall be reduced through a nineteen percent reduction in
20 agency administrative budgets (program 110 and category 9000).
21 Administrative reductions shall not include reductions in the division
22 of fraud, medical assistance administration, or any work units
23 providing direct client services.

24 (c) Funds saved in subsections (a) and (b) of this section shall be
25 transferred to support the following enhancements: (i) increase wages
26 for low wage workers who provide direct care for elderly and disabled
27 persons in their own homes, in nursing homes and in community
28 residential programs by \$.75 per hour, (ii) reduce the average caseload
29 for social workers in children's services to 1:20, (iii) reduce the
30 average caseload for case managers in developmental disabilities to
31 1:40 for persons on the medicaid waiver, (iv) fund the chore services
32 program at the carry forward level, (v) increase funding for family
33 support in developmental disabilities for an additional 750 families,
34 and (vi) provide funding to implement the choice of service provision
35 in RCW 71A.16.010."

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EFFECT: Funds a \$79 million (\$44 million GF-S) increase in services for children, persons with developmental disabilities, and seniors by reducing administrative costs in DSHS, with no net increase in general fund spending.