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By Committee on Ways & Means

1 On page 16, after line 10, insert the following:

2 "Sec. 9. RCW 44.44.040 and 2019 c 363 s 22 are each amended to 3 read as follows:

4 The office of the state actuary shall have the following powers 5 and duties:

6 (1) Perform all actuarial services for the department of 7 retirement systems, including all studies required by law.

8 (2) Advise the legislature and the governor regarding pension 9 benefit provisions, and funding policies and investment policies of 10 the state investment board.

(3) Consult with the legislature and the governor concerning determination of actuarial assumptions used by the department of retirement systems.

14 (4) Prepare a report, to be known as the actuarial fiscal note, 15 on each pension bill introduced in the legislature which briefly 16 explains the financial impact of the bill. The actuarial fiscal note 17 shall include: (a) The statutorily required contribution for the 18 biennium and the following twenty-five years; (b) the biennial cost of the increased benefits if these exceed the required contribution; 19 20 and (c) any change in the present value of the unfunded accrued 21 benefits. An actuarial fiscal note shall also be prepared for all 22 amendments which are offered in committee or on the floor of the 23 house of representatives or the senate to any pension bill. However, a majority of the members present may suspend the requirement for an 24 actuarial fiscal note for amendments offered on the floor of the 25 26 house of representatives or the senate.

(5) Provide such actuarial services to the legislature as may berequested from time to time.

29 (6) Provide staff and assistance to the committee established 30 under RCW 41.04.276.

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1 (7) Provide actuarial assistance to the law enforcement officers' 2 and firefighters' plan 2 retirement board as provided in chapter 2, 3 Laws of 2003. Reimbursement for services shall be made to the state 4 actuary under RCW 39.34.130 and section 5(5), chapter 2, Laws of 5 2003.

6 (8) Provide actuarial assistance to the committee on advanced 7 tuition payment pursuant to chapter 28B.95 RCW, including 8 recommending a tuition unit price to the committee on advanced 9 tuition payment to be used in the ensuing enrollment period. 10 Reimbursement for services shall be made to the state actuary under 11 RCW 39.34.130.

12 (9) Provide actuarial assistance to the long-term services and 13 supports trust commission pursuant to chapter 50B.04 RCW. 14 Reimbursement for services shall be made to the state actuary under 15 RCW 39.34.130.

16 (10) Provide actuarial assistance, as requested by the employment 17 security department or the office of financial management, to the 18 employment security department related to the family and medical 19 leave program in Title 50A RCW.

20 Sec. 10. RCW 50A.25.070 and 2020 c 125 s 8 are each amended to 21 read as follows:

(1) The department may enter into data-sharing contracts and may disclose records and information deemed confidential to state or local government agencies under this chapter only if permitted under subsection (2) of this section and RCW 50A.25.090. A state or local government agency must need the records or information for an official purpose and must also provide:

(a) An application in writing to the department for the records
or information containing a statement of the official purposes for
which the state or local government agency needs the information or
records and specifically identify the records or information sought
from the department; and

33 (b) A written verification of the need for the specific 34 information from the director, commissioner, chief executive, or 35 other official of the requesting state or local government agency 36 either on the application or on a separate document.

37 (2) The department may disclose information or records deemed 38 confidential under this chapter to the following state or local 39 government agencies:

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(a) To the department of social and health services to identify
 child support obligations as defined in RCW 50A.15.080;

3 (b) To the department of revenue to determine potential tax 4 liability or employer compliance with registration and licensing 5 requirements;

6 (c) To the department of labor and industries to compare records 7 or information to detect improper or fraudulent claims;

8 (d) To the office of financial management for the purpose of 9 conducting periodic salary or fringe benefit studies pursuant to law;

10 (e) To the office of the state treasurer and any financial or 11 banking institutions deemed necessary by the office of the state 12 treasurer and the department for the proper administration of funds;

13 (f) To the office of the attorney general for purposes of legal 14 representation;

15 (g) To a county clerk for the purpose of RCW 9.94A.760 if 16 requested by the county clerk's office;

17 (h) To the office of administrative hearings for the purpose of 18 administering the administrative appeal process;

19 (i) To the department of enterprise services for the purpose of 20 agency administration and operations; ((and))

21 (j) To the consolidated technology services agency for the 22 purpose of enterprise technology support<u>; and</u>

23 (k) To the office of the state actuary for the purpose of 24 performing actuarial services to assess the financial stability and 25 solvency of the family and medical leave program, and specifically 26 the family and medical leave insurance account created in RCW 27 50A.05.070."

28 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any 29 internal references accordingly.

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30On page 1, line 3 of the title, after "50A.15.040," strike "and3150A.05.050" and insert "50A.05.050, 44.44.040, and 50A.25.070"

EFFECT: Amends the powers and duties of the Office of the State Actuary (Actuary) to provide family and medical leave actuarial

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assistance as requested by either the Employment Security Department (ESD) or Office of Financial Management. Authorizes a data-sharing agreement between ESD and the Actuary for the purpose of performing family and medical leave actuarial assistance.

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