

SHB 1240 - S AMD TO LAW COMM AMD (S-2726.1/23) **370**
By Senator L. Wilson

1 On page 14, after line 33, insert the following:

2 "Sec. 5. RCW 43.330A.020 and 2020 c 313 s 3 are each amended to
3 read as follows:

4 (1) The Washington office of firearm safety and violence
5 prevention is created within the department for the purposes of
6 coordinating and promoting effective state and local efforts to
7 reduce firearm violence.

8 (2) The duties of the office include, but are not limited to:

9 (a) Working with law enforcement agencies, county prosecutors,
10 researchers, and public health agencies throughout the state to
11 identify and improve upon available data sources, data collection
12 methods, and data-sharing mechanisms. The office will also identify
13 gaps in available data needed for ongoing analysis, policy
14 development, and the implementation of evidence-based firearm
15 violence intervention and prevention strategies;

16 (b) Working with appropriate agencies to collect and annually
17 report data that specifically identifies the firearms used in gun-
18 related deaths and injuries in Washington state other than suicide
19 and self-inflicted injuries. Identification should include the
20 specific caliber and type of firearm (e.g. 9 mm pistol, .38
21 revolver, .223 rifle, 12-gauge shotgun);

22 (c) Researching, identifying, and recommending legislative policy
23 options to promote the implementation of statewide evidence-based
24 firearm violence intervention and prevention strategies;

25 ~~((e))~~ (d) Researching, identifying, and applying for nonstate
26 funding to aid in the research, analysis, and implementation of
27 statewide firearm violence intervention and prevention strategies;

28 ~~((d))~~ (e) Working with the office of crime ~~((victim[s]))~~
29 victims advocacy to identify opportunities to better support victims
30 of firearm violence, a population that is currently underrepresented
31 among recipients of victim services;

1 (~~(e) Contract [Contracting]~~) (f) Contracting for a statewide
2 helpline, counseling, and referral services for victims, friends, and
3 family members impacted by gun violence and community professionals
4 and providers who engage with them;

5 (~~(f) Contract [Contracting]~~) (g) Contracting with the
6 University of Washington to develop a best practice guide for therapy
7 for gun violence victims;

8 (~~(g)~~) (h) Administering the Washington firearm violence
9 intervention and prevention grant program as outlined in RCW
10 43.330A.050.

11 (3) (~~The~~) Except as provided in subsection (2)(b) of this
12 section, the office shall report to the appropriate legislative
13 policy committees by December 1st every odd-numbered year on its
14 progress and findings in analyzing data, developing strategies to
15 prevent firearm violence, and recommendations for additional
16 legislative policy options. The first report must be submitted by
17 December 1, 2021."

18 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any
19 internal references accordingly.

20 On page 15, line 6, after "insert" insert "amending RCW
21 43.330A.020;"

EFFECT: Requires the Washington office of firearm safety and
violence prevention to work with appropriate agencies to collect and
annually report data that specifically identifies the firearms used
in gun-related deaths and injuries in Washington state other than
suicide and self-inflicted injuries.

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