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1 AN ACT Relating to saving the taxpayers \$19,500,000 by
2 eliminating the office of equity; creating a new section; and
3 repealing RCW 43.06D.010, 43.06D.020, 43.06D.030, 43.06D.040,
4 43.06D.050, 43.06D.060, 43.06D.900, and 43.06D.901.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that government
7 should prioritize funding for safe streets, excellent schools,
8 protection of the most vulnerable, and reliable, high quality
9 infrastructure, while allowing individuals, families, and businesses
10 to thrive. This is only possible when the tax burden placed upon the
11 people is limited to what is necessary to fund essential needs and
12 services, ensuring that the state remains economically competitive
13 and a desirable place to live, work, and raise a family.

14 If the office of equity has strong public support, it could be
15 reconstituted to operate as a nonprofit organization but will no
16 longer be serviced at taxpayer expense.

17 The legislature intends to save the taxpayers \$19,500,000 by
18 eliminating the office of equity.

19 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** The following acts or parts of acts are
20 each repealed:

- 1 (1) RCW 43.06D.010 (Definitions) and 2020 c 332 s 2;
2 (2) RCW 43.06D.020 (Office established—Purpose) and 2020 c 332 s
3 3;
4 (3) RCW 43.06D.030 (Appointment of director—Duties—Other
5 employees) and 2020 c 332 s 4;
6 (4) RCW 43.06D.040 (Duties—Reports) and 2020 c 332 s 5;
7 (5) RCW 43.06D.050 (Authority) and 2020 c 332 s 8;
8 (6) RCW 43.06D.060 (Washington state patrol diversity, equity,
9 and inclusion strategic recruitment and retention plan—Oversight) and
10 2022 c 146 s 2;
11 (7) RCW 43.06D.900 (Findings—Intent—2020 c 332) and 2020 c 332 s
12 1; and
13 (8) RCW 43.06D.901 (Construction—2020 c 332) and 2020 c 332 s 9.

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