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1 AN ACT Relating to creating a risk management unit within the
2 department of corrections; and adding a new section to chapter 72.09
3 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 72.09 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) There is hereby created a risk management unit within the
8 department. The secretary shall appoint a risk manager to supervise
9 the risk management unit.

10 (2) The risk management unit shall:

11 (a) Identify liability and property risk that may have a
12 significant economic impact on the department;

13 (b) Evaluate existing loss control programs within the department
14 as appropriate to suggest improvements and recognize successful safety
15 policies and procedures;

16 (c) Identify new methods to eliminate or improve conditions and
17 practices that contribute to loss whenever practical;

18 (d) Identify methods to assist the department to meet the
19 requirements for insurance coverage or service; and

1 (e) Maintain loss history information for the purpose of
2 identifying and analyzing risk exposures.

3 (3) The risk management unit shall continually report its findings
4 to the secretary and make recommendations to the secretary on the
5 application of prudent safety, security, loss prevention, and loss
6 minimization methods so as to reduce or avoid risk or loss.

7 (4) When carrying out its duties under this section, the risk
8 management unit may consult with the risk management division within
9 the office of financial management established in RCW 43.41.300.

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