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EXECUTIVE ORDER 12-03

RESCISSION OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 96-03

**AMENDING THE REPORTING STRUCTURE OF THE
DIVISION OF LICENSED RESOURCES WITHIN
THE CHILDREN'S ADMINISTRATION**

WHEREAS, Executive Order 96-03 required the Department of Social and Health Services to create a separate Division of Licensed Resources within the Children's Administration to mitigate conflicting pressures to locate scarce placements for abused and neglected children while assuring that those placements are of adequate quality; and

WHEREAS, a section of that Order required that the Director of the Division of Licensed Resources have direct reporting relationship to the Assistant Secretary; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Social and Health Services has successfully established a separate division, and in so doing, established adequate protections for assuring strong monitoring and enforcement of licensed resources; and

WHEREAS, the protections put in place do not rely on a specific reporting relationship and the intent of Executive Order 96-03 has been met;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Christine Gregoire, Governor of the state of Washington, in order to achieve effective and efficient government performance, by virtue of the power vested in me, do hereby order that Executive Order 96-03, related to strengthening out-of-home care licensing, be rescinded because the work of establishing the Division of Licensed Resources is complete and the requirements for reporting relationships are no longer necessary.

This Executive Order, which rescinds Executive Order 96-03, shall take effect immediately.

Signed and sealed with the official seal of the state of Washington, on this 25th day of July, 2012, at Olympia, Washington.

By:

/s/

Christine O. Gregoire
Governor

BY THE GOVERNOR:

/s/

Secretary of State