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**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2477**

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**By** House Committee on Human Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Bray, Forner, Ebersole, Ludwig, Appelwick, H. Myers, Riley, Leonard, R. King, Anderson, Hargrove, Wynne, Sprenkle, J. Kohl, Pruitt and Rasmussen)

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1 AN ACT Relating to chemical dependency services for sexual assault  
2 and domestic violence victims; adding a new section to chapter 43.20A  
3 RCW; and making an appropriation.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.20A RCW  
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) The legislature finds that victims of sexual assault, childhood  
8 sexual abuse, or domestic violence may be at a greater risk for  
9 substance abuse than the general population. Identification, referral,  
10 and services for those persons affected by domestic violence, childhood  
11 sexual abuse, or sexual assault is critical in order to assist  
12 substance abusers in their recovery. Breaking the cycle of domestic  
13 violence or childhood sexual abuse, and assisting adult sexual assault

1 victims in their healing, may mean identification of and referral and  
2 services to those victims who are substance abusers.

3 (2) By January 1, 1993, the department shall develop a curriculum  
4 for chemical dependency counselors, and volunteer workers and staff  
5 personnel of domestic violence programs, childhood sexual abuse  
6 programs, and sexual assault programs. The curriculum shall be  
7 developed by the department, in consultation with representatives from  
8 rape crisis, sexual assault, domestic violence shelters and safehomes,  
9 and chemical dependency treatment providers. In order to maximize the  
10 benefits of the training, the curriculum will be developed to train  
11 individuals from all of these groups together, in the same setting.

12 (3) The department shall select two sites in the state to serve as  
13 first year training sites. The sites must have chemical dependency,  
14 sexual assault, childhood sexual abuse, and domestic violence programs.  
15 By January 1, 1994, the department, in consultation with  
16 representatives from rape crisis, sexual assault, domestic violence  
17 shelters and safehomes, and chemical dependency treatment providers,  
18 shall evaluate the curriculum and training done at the two sites, and  
19 make necessary modifications.

20 (4) The training shall be expanded state-wide to all chemical  
21 dependency counselors, and volunteer workers and staff personnel of  
22 domestic violence programs, childhood sexual abuse programs, and sexual  
23 assault programs beginning January 1, 1994.

24 (5) On or after January 1, 1994, any qualified chemical dependency  
25 counselor employed by a state-approved chemical dependency treatment  
26 facility shall be required to receive the training described in  
27 subsection (2) of this section. On or after January 1, 1994, any  
28 service contracts let by the department to rape crisis, sexual assault,  
29 and domestic violence shelters and safehomes shall require staff to  
30 receive the training described in subsection (2) of this section.

1 After receiving the training, individuals from all of these groups  
2 shall discuss the issues addressed in the training with all of their  
3 clients.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** The sum of twenty-five thousand dollars,  
5 or as much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for the  
6 biennium ending June 30, 1993, from the drug enforcement and education  
7 account to the department of social and health services for the  
8 purposes of section 1 (2) and (3) of this act.