
HOUSE BILL 3241

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1 AN ACT Relating to antiviral medication; and adding a new section
2 to chapter 38.52 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 38.52 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) The department shall acquire and maintain a ready supply of
7 antiviral medication to ensure the availability of a full course of
8 therapy to twenty-five percent of the population of the state during an
9 epidemic emergency. In determining the necessary quantity for the
10 supply, the department shall consider any federal supplies of antiviral
11 medications that have been allocated to the state to offset the amount
12 that the department must acquire and maintain.

13 (2) The reserve supply of antiviral medication may only be accessed
14 and distributed to the public upon the governor's declaration that
15 there is a severe outbreak of influenza or other infectious disease.

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