

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

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MENTALLY ILL OFFENDERS--IMPROVED SERVICES FOR--PLAN DEVELOPMENT

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JOEL PRITCHARD  
**President of the Senate**

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MIKE LOWRY  
**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Alan Thompson, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1765** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

ALAN THOMPSON  
**Chief Clerk**

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**Secretary of State  
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1 and implementation of the center. The stakeholders advisory panel  
2 shall include a broad array of interest groups drawn from  
3 representatives of mental health, criminal justice, and correctional  
4 systems. The stakeholders advisory panel shall include, but is not  
5 limited to, membership from: The department of corrections, the  
6 department of social and health services mental health division and  
7 division of juvenile rehabilitation, regional support networks, local  
8 and regional law enforcement agencies, the sentencing guidelines  
9 commission, county and city jails, mental health advocacy groups for  
10 the mentally ill, developmentally disabled, and traumatically brain-  
11 injured, and the general public. The center established by the  
12 department of corrections and University of Washington, in consultation  
13 with the stakeholder advisory groups, shall have the authority to:

14 (a) Develop new and innovative treatment approaches for corrections  
15 mental health clients;

16 (b) Improve the quality of mental health services within the  
17 department and throughout the corrections system;

18 (c) Facilitate mental health staff recruitment and training to meet  
19 departmental, county, and municipal needs;

20 (d) Expand research activities within the department in the area of  
21 treatment services, the design of delivery systems, the development of  
22 organizational models, and training for corrections mental health care  
23 professionals;

24 (e) Improve the work environment for correctional employees by  
25 developing the skills, knowledge, and understanding of how to work with  
26 offenders with special chronic mental health challenges;

27 (f) Establish a more positive rehabilitative environment for  
28 offenders;

29 (g) Strengthen multidisciplinary mental health collaboration  
30 between the University of Washington, other groups committed to the  
31 intent of this section, and the department of corrections;

32 (h) Strengthen department linkages between institutions of higher  
33 education, public sector mental health systems, and county and  
34 municipal corrections;

35 (i) Assist in the continued formulation of corrections mental  
36 health policies;

37 (j) Develop innovative and effective recruitment and training  
38 programs for correctional personnel working with mentally ill  
39 offenders;

1 (k) Assist in the development of a coordinated continuum of mental  
2 health care capable of providing services from corrections entry to  
3 community return; and

4 (l) Evaluate all current and innovative approaches developed within  
5 this center in terms of their effective and efficient achievement of  
6 improved mental health of inmates, development and utilization of  
7 personnel, the impact of these approaches on the functioning of  
8 correctional institutions, and the relationship of the corrections  
9 system to mental health and criminal justice systems. Specific  
10 attention should be paid to evaluating the effects of programs on the  
11 reintegration of mentally ill offenders into the community and the  
12 prevention of inappropriate incarceration of mentally ill persons.

13 (2) The corrections mental health center may conduct research,  
14 training, and treatment activities for the mentally ill offender within  
15 selected sites operated by the department. The department shall  
16 provide support services for the center such as food services,  
17 maintenance, perimeter security, classification, offender supervision,  
18 and living unit functions. The University of Washington may develop,  
19 implement, and evaluate the clinical, treatment, research, and  
20 evaluation components of the mentally ill offender center. The  
21 institute of public policy and management may be consulted regarding  
22 the development of the center and in the recommendations regarding  
23 public policy. As resources permit, training within the center shall  
24 be available to state, county, and municipal agencies requiring the  
25 services. Other state colleges, state universities, and mental health  
26 providers may be involved in activities as required on a subcontract  
27 basis. Community mental health organizations, research groups, and  
28 community advocacy groups may be critical components of the center's  
29 operations and involved as appropriate to annual objectives. Mentally  
30 ill clients may be drawn from throughout the department's population  
31 and transferred to the center as clinical need, available services, and  
32 department jurisdiction permits.

33 (3) The department shall prepare a report of the center's progress  
34 toward the attainment of stated goals and provide the report to the  
35 legislature annually.

36 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate  
37 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the

1 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take  
2 effect immediately.

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