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Brief Description: Establishing mental health parity.

HB 2517 - DIGEST

Declares that it is no longer cost-effective to treat persons with mental disorders differently than persons with medical and surgical disorders. The cost to our children, families, businesses, and society as a whole is too high.

Declares an intent to require insurance coverage at parity for mental health services, which means that this coverage be delivered under the same terms and conditions as medical and surgical coverage.

Repeals RCW 48.21.240, 48.44.340, and 48.46.290.