Sponsor(s): Representatives Linville, Ericksen, Morris and Quall

Brief Description: Establishing a pilot program of assertive community treatment.

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Declares that, recognizing that other states have demonstrated program of assertive community treatment effectiveness through pilot projects, the legislature directs the secretary of the department of social and health services to contract one million dollars for a pilot program of assertive community treatment to be administered by a county with: (1) A willing provider who has facilities and services appropriate for the project;

- (2) an estimated population of approximately one hundred sixty-one thousand as of April 1, 1999; and
- (3) estimated involuntary treatment act commitment investigations of seven hundred one for 1999. This contract is contingent upon the explicit allocation of matching funds by the county of an additional one million dollars.

Directs the Washington institute for public policy to complete a study of the effectiveness of the pilot project of program of assertive community treatment administered by the county designated under this act.

Requires the study to be submitted to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2001.

Makes an appropriation of one million dollars from the general fund to the mental health division of the department of social and health services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, to carry out the purposes of this act.

Makes an appropriation of two hundred thousand dollars from the general fund to the Washington institute for public policy for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, to carry out the purposes of this act.