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SENATE BILL 6586

State of Washington 57th Legislature 2002 Regular Session

By Senators Thibaudeau and Deccio; by request of Department of Health Read first time 01/22/2002. Referred to Committee on Health & Long-Term Care.

- 1 AN ACT Relating to the human immunodeficiency virus insurance
- 2 program; adding a new section to chapter 43.70 RCW; repealing RCW
- 3 74.09.757; and providing an effective date.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. RCW 74.09.757 (Acquired human
- 6 immunodeficiency syndrome insurance program (HIV/AIDS)) and 1993 c 264
- 7 s 1 & 1989 c 260 s 3 are each repealed.
- 8 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 43.70 RCW
- 9 to read as follows:
- 10 (1) "Human immunodeficiency virus insurance program," as used in
- 11 this section, means the program that provides health insurance coverage
- 12 for individuals with human immunodeficiency virus, as defined in RCW
- 13 70.24.017(7), who meet eligibility requirements established by the
- 14 department of health.
- 15 (2) The department of health may pay for health insurance coverage
- 16 on behalf of persons with human immunodeficiency virus, who meet
- 17 department eligibility requirements, and who are eligible for
- 18 "continuation coverage" as provided by the federal consolidated omnibus

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- 1 budget reconciliation act of 1985, group health insurance policies, or
- 2 individual policies.
- 3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** This act takes effect July 1, 2002.

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