

HB 2262 - DIGEST

Declares that, after the effective date of this act, any new mandated health benefit for specific health services only applies to state purchased health care programs as defined in RCW 41.05.011(2) for a period of one year from the effective date of the new mandated benefit. On or before March 1st, after the one-year period for which the mandated benefit has been applied, the health care authority shall submit to the president of the senate and speaker of the house of representatives a report indicating the impact the mandated benefit has had on state purchased health care programs, including data on the utilization and costs of the mandated benefits.

Requires the report to also include a recommendation whether the mandated benefit should continue for state purchased health care programs or whether additional utilization and cost data is required.