## HOUSE BILL 1367

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to encouraging training for medical students,
- 2 nurses, and medical technicians and assistants to work with adult
- 3 patients with developmental disabilities; and adding a new section to
- 4 chapter 28B.77 RCW.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.77 RCW to read as follows:
- 8 The state of Washington promotes improving medical services to
- 9 adult individuals with developmental disabilities. Medical students
- 10 at the University of Washington, nursing students at schools of
- 11 nursing within the state of Washington and Pacific Northwest
- 12 University College of Osteopathic Medicine, and special and
- 13 technical care students at technical schools within the state of
- 14 Washington would benefit from specialized training and exposure to
- 15 the unique care needs for adults that are developmentally disabled.
- 16 Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific
- 17 purpose, the council shall develop a centralized program for grants
- 18 for institutions for programs designed to develop training projects
- 19 focused upon improvement of services to adult individuals with
- 20 developmental disabilities. The council may administer the grant
- 21 program in consultation with the department of health. The council

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- 1 shall report to the appropriate committees of the legislature by
- 2 December 1, 2016. The report must include information regarding
- 3 grants awarded under this section, as well as any other efforts or
- 4 progress in expanding or improving training for students in treating
- 5 adult individuals with developmental disabilities.

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