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**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5078**

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**State of Washington**

**64th Legislature**

**2015 Regular Session**

**By** Senate Human Services, Mental Health & Housing (originally sponsored by Senators O'Ban, Darneille, and Warnick)

READ FIRST TIME 01/27/15.

1 AN ACT Relating to investing in programs proven to promote  
2 recovery for persons with mental illness and chemical dependency  
3 disorders; amending RCW 70.47.030; and providing an effective date.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 70.47.030 and 2004 c 192 s 2 are each amended to  
6 read as follows:

7 (1) The basic health plan trust account is hereby established in  
8 the state treasury. Except for funds distributed to the account  
9 pursuant to RCW 69.50.540, any nongeneral fund-state funds collected  
10 for this program shall be deposited in the basic health plan trust  
11 account and may be expended without further appropriation. Moneys in  
12 the account shall be used ((exclusively)) for the purposes of this  
13 chapter, including payments to participating managed health care  
14 systems on behalf of enrollees in the plan and payment of costs of  
15 administering the plan and for the purposes in subsection (2) of this  
16 section.

17 ~~((During the 1995-97 fiscal biennium, the legislature may~~  
18 ~~transfer funds from the basic health plan trust account to the state~~  
19 ~~general fund.))~~

20 (2) Twenty-two percent of the funds distributed to the account  
21 from RCW 69.50.540 must be used to fund evidence-based or research-

1 based community interventions shown to promote recovery and reduce  
2 the need for inpatient hospitalization, involuntary commitment, or  
3 criminal justice involvement for persons with mental illness or  
4 persons with co-occurring mental illness and chemical dependency  
5 disorders. Funds expended under this subsection must be used for  
6 crisis services including mobile crisis response, crisis  
7 stabilization, and crisis triage; evidence-based or research-based  
8 peer support services; mental health courts; cognitive behavioral  
9 therapy; posttraumatic stress disorder prevention following trauma;  
10 inpatient transition support programs; or permanent supportive  
11 housing programs.

12 (3) The basic health plan subscription account is created in the  
13 custody of the state treasurer. All receipts from amounts due from or  
14 on behalf of nonsubsidized enrollees and health coverage tax credit  
15 eligible enrollees shall be deposited into the account. Funds in the  
16 account shall be used exclusively for the purposes of this chapter,  
17 including payments to participating managed health care systems on  
18 behalf of nonsubsidized enrollees and health coverage tax credit  
19 eligible enrollees in the plan and payment of costs of administering  
20 the plan. The account is subject to allotment procedures under  
21 chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is required for expenditures.

22 ~~((3))~~ (4) The ~~((administrator))~~ director shall take every  
23 precaution to see that none of the funds in the separate accounts  
24 created in this section or that any premiums paid either by  
25 subsidized or nonsubsidized enrollees are commingled in any way,  
26 except that the ~~((administrator))~~ director may combine funds  
27 designated for administration of the plan into a single  
28 administrative account.

29 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. This act takes effect August 1, 2015.

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