
SENATE BILL 5646

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By Senators Honeyford, King, Chase, Keiser, and Conway

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1 AN ACT Relating to services provided by residential habilitation
2 centers; and amending RCW 71A.20.180.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 71A.20.180 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 30 s 6 are each
5 amended to read as follows:

6 ~~((1) By December 31, 2011, the department shall:~~

7 ~~(a) Close Frances Haddon Morgan residential rehabilitation center
8 and relocate current residents consistent with the requirements of
9 section 7 of this act; and~~

10 ~~(b) Establish at least two state operating living alternatives on
11 the campus of the Frances Haddon Morgan center, if residents have
12 chosen to receive care in such a setting and subject to federal
13 requirements related to the receipt of federal medicaid matching
14 funds.~~

15 ~~(2)(a) Upon August 24, 2011, the department shall not permit any
16 new admission to Yakima Valley School unless such admission is
17 limited to the provision of short-term respite or crisis
18 stabilization services. Except as provided in (b) of this subsection,
19 no current permanent resident of Yakima Valley School shall be
20 required or compelled to relocate to a different care setting as a
21 result of chapter 30, Laws of 2011 1st sp. sess.~~

1 ~~(b))~~ (1)(a) The Yakima Valley School shall ~~((continue to))~~
2 operate as a residential habilitation center ~~((until such time that~~
3 ~~the census of permanent residents has reached sixteen persons. As~~
4 ~~part of the closure plan, at least two cottages will be converted to~~
5 ~~state-operated living alternatives, subject to federal requirements~~
6 ~~related to the receipt of federal medicaid matching funds)).~~ The
7 Yakima Valley School must operate crisis stabilization beds and
8 respite service beds as the capacity of the school allows and as the
9 needs of the community require, subject to the availability of
10 amounts appropriated for this specific purpose.

11 (b) As of the effective date of this section, no new long-term
12 admissions are permitted.

13 ~~((3) To assure the successful implementation of subsections (1)~~
14 ~~and (2) of this section,))~~ (2) The department, within available
15 funds:

16 (a) Shall establish state-operated living alternatives, within
17 funds specifically provided in the omnibus appropriations act, to
18 provide community residential services to residential habilitation
19 center residents transitioning to the community under chapter 30,
20 Laws of 2011 1st sp. sess. who prefer a state-operated living
21 alternative. The department shall offer residential habilitation
22 center employees opportunities to work in state-operated living
23 alternatives as they are established;

24 (b) May use existing supported living program capacity in the
25 community for former residential habilitation center residents who
26 prefer and choose a supported living program;

27 (c) ~~((Shall continue to staff and operate at Yakima Valley School~~
28 ~~crisis stabilization beds and respite service beds at the existing~~
29 ~~bed capacity as of June 1, 2011, for individuals with developmental~~
30 ~~disabilities requiring such services;~~

31 ~~(d))~~ Shall establish up to eight state-staffed crisis
32 stabilization beds and up to eight state-staffed respite beds based
33 upon funding provided in the omnibus appropriations act and the
34 geographic areas with the greatest need for those services; ~~((and~~

35 ~~(e))~~ (d) Shall establish regional or mobile specialty services
36 evenly distributed throughout the state, such as dental care,
37 physical therapy, occupational therapy, and specialized nursing care,
38 which can be made available to former residents of residential
39 habilitation centers and, within available funds, other individuals
40 with developmental disabilities residing in the community; and

1 (e) Shall continue to provide respite services in residential
2 habilitation centers and continue to develop respite care in the
3 community.

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