SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5586

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By Senate Human Services, Reentry & Rehabilitation (originally sponsored by Senators Darneille, Rivers, Hasegawa, Fortunato, Hunt, Wilson, C., Takko, Rolfes, Schoesler, Warnick, Honeyford, Walsh, Wilson, L., Zeiger, Sheldon, McCoy, Liias, Keiser, Kuderer, Nguyen, and Saldaña)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to traumatic brain injury screenings for children
- 2 entering the foster care system; adding a new section to chapter
- 3 70.250 RCW; and providing an expiration date.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 70.250 6 RCW to read as follows:
- 7 (1) In order to improve health outcomes for children placed in
- 8 out-of-home placement pursuant to chapter 13.34 RCW, the
- 9 collaborative shall evaluate the most effective and beneficial way to
- 10 screen children placed in out-of-home care for traumatic brain
- 11 injuries.
- 12 (2) By December 1, 2020, and in compliance with RCW 43.01.036,
- 13 the collaborative shall report, at a minimum, the following
- 14 information to the governor and the legislature:
- 15 (a) The most effective way to screen children entering foster 16 care for traumatic brain injury; and
- 17 (b) Recommendations as to when the screenings should occur, who
- 18 should conduct the screenings, and what screening tools should be
- 19 used to conduct the screenings.

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1 (3) This section expires December 31, 2020.

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