<u>2SHB 2069</u> - H AMD TO H AMD (H2672.2) **338**By Representative Bailey

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On page 4, line 13 of the amendment, after "section" insert ". In 1 2 offering the small business assist plan established under this subsection (1)(a), the administrator shall contract exclusively with 3 disability insurers holding a certificate of authority and regulated 4 under chapter 48.20 or 48.21 RCW, health care service contractors 5 б holding a certificate of authority and regulated under chapter 48.44 7 RCW, or health maintenance organizations holding a certificate of 8 authority and regulated under chapter 48.46 RCW. In the event that the state health care authority, pursuant to RCW 41.05.140, chooses to 9 self-fund or self-insure the small business assist plan established 10 under this subsection (1)(a), the state health care authority shall 11 12 obtain a certificate of authority from the office of the insurance 13 commissioner as a disability insurer under chapter 48.20 or 48.21 RCW, as a health care service contractor under chapter 48.44 RCW, or as a 14 15 health maintenance organization under chapter 48.46 RCW. business assist plan established under this subsection (1)(a) is 16 17 subject to all applicable requirements under Title 48 RCW, and may only be offered by a health carrier as defined in RCW 48.43.005 including 18 any self-funded or self-insured small business assist plan offered by 19 20 the authority"

EFFECT: Requires the Health Care Authority to deliver the small business assist program either through licensed and regulated health carriers or through a self-funded or self-insured plan that would be required to meet all applicable provisions of Title 48 RCW.

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