

SSB 5841 - H COMM AMD
By Committee on Health Care

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1 On page 2, line 29, after "procedures" strike "and asthma
2 prevention policies"

3 Beginning on page 3, line 35, strike all of section 3

4 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any
5 internal references accordingly.

6 On page 4, line 31, after "plans." insert "On January 1, 2007, and
7 January 1, 2009, the authority shall issue a status report to the
8 legislature summarizing any results it attains in exploring and
9 coordinating strategies for asthma, diabetes, heart disease, and other
10 chronic diseases."

11 On page 5, beginning on line 1, strike all of section 5 and insert
12 the following:

13 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** A new section is added to chapter 43.70 RCW
14 to read as follows:

15 (1) The department, in collaboration with its public and private
16 partners, shall design a state asthma plan.

17 (2) The plan shall include recommendations in the following areas:

18 (a) Evidence-based processes for the prevention and management of
19 asthma;

20 (b) Data systems that support asthma prevalence reporting,
21 including population disparities;

22 (c) Quality improvement strategies addressing the successful
23 diagnosis and treatment of the disease; and

24 (d) Cost estimates and sources of funding for plan implementation.

25 (3) The department shall submit the completed state plan to the
26 governor and the legislature by December 1, 2005. After the initial

1 state plan is submitted, the department shall provide progress reports
2 to the governor and the legislature on a biennial basis beginning
3 December 1, 2007.

4 (4) The department shall implement the state plan recommendations
5 made under subsection (2) of this section only to the extent that
6 federal, state, or private funds, including grants, are available for
7 that purpose."

8 Correct the title.

EFFECT: Removes the requirement that school districts adopt asthma prevention policies. Removes provisions directing the Health Care Authority to establish an asthma registry, and adds the requirement that the Authority report to the Legislature regarding its disease and demand management program. Removes the section requiring the Department of Health to collect data regarding asthma and replaces it with a section requiring the Department of Health to design a state asthma plan, and implement the plan to the extent funds are available.

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