HOUSE BILL REPORT SB 5490

As Reported by House Committee On: Health Care & Wellness

Title: An act relating to adult family home advisory committees.

Brief Description: Adding a law enforcement representative to the adult family home advisory committee.

Sponsors: Senator Brandland.

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

Health Care & Wellness: 3/15/07, 3/22/07 [DP].

Brief Summary of Bill

• Adds a representative from a general authority Washington law enforcement agency to the Adult Family Home Advisory Committee.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE & WELLNESS

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 13 members: Representatives Cody, Chair; Morrell, Vice Chair; Hinkle, Ranking Minority Member; Alexander, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Barlow, Campbell, Condotta, Curtis, Green, Moeller, Pedersen, Schual-Berke and Seaquist.

Staff: Dave Knutson (786-7146).

Background:

The Adult Family Home Advisory Committee was established in 2002 to provide recommendations to the Department of Social and Health Services on matters pertaining to the industry. The committee meets at least four times a year and reviews issues related to inspection, enforcement, and quality improvement. The committee includes adult family home providers, the long-term care ombudsman, and representatives from the resident council program, families, and consumers.

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Summary of Bill:

A representative from a general authority Washington law enforcement agency is added to the Adult Family Home Advisory Committee.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony:

(In support) A law enforcement perspective would be useful on an advisory committee related to Adult Family Homes.

(Opposed) None.

Persons Testifying: Senator Brandland, prime sponsor; and Bill Day, Adult Family Home Association of Washington.

Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying: None.