

SHB 1811 - S COMM AMD

By Committee on Human Services & Corrections

ADOPTED 04/07/2011

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "Sec. 1. RCW 43.185C.180 and 2006 c 349 s 8 are each amended to
4 read as follows:

5 (1) In order to improve services for the homeless, the department,
6 within amounts appropriated by the legislature for this specific
7 purpose, shall implement the Washington homeless client management
8 information system for the ongoing collection and updates of
9 information about all homeless individuals in the state.

10 (2) Information about homeless individuals for the Washington
11 homeless client management information system shall come from the
12 Washington homeless census and from state agencies and community
13 organizations providing services to homeless individuals and families.

14 (a) Personally identifying information about homeless individuals
15 for the Washington homeless client management information system may
16 only be collected after having obtained informed, reasonably time
17 limited (i) written consent from the homeless individual to whom the
18 information relates, or (ii) telephonic consent from the homeless
19 individual, provided that written consent is obtained at the first time
20 the individual is physically present at an organization with access to
21 the Washington homeless client management information system.
22 Safeguards consistent with federal requirements on data collection must
23 be in place to protect homeless individuals' rights regarding their
24 personally identifying information.

25 (b) Data collection under this subsection shall be done in a manner
26 consistent with federally informed consent guidelines regarding human
27 research which, at a minimum, require that individuals (~~be informed~~)
28 receive:

29 (i) Information about the expected duration of their

1 participation((τ)) in the Washington homeless client management
2 information system;

3 (ii) An explanation of whom to contact for answers to pertinent
4 questions about the data collection and their rights regarding their
5 personal identifying information((τ));

6 (iii) An explanation regarding whom to contact in the event of
7 injury to the individual related to the Washington homeless client
8 ((surveyτ)) management information system;

9 (iv) A description of any reasonably foreseeable risks to the
10 homeless individual((τ)); and

11 (v) A statement describing the extent to which confidentiality of
12 records identifying the individual will be maintained.

13 (c) The department must adopt policies governing the appropriate
14 process for destroying Washington homeless client management
15 information system paper documents containing personally identifying
16 information when the paper documents are no longer needed. The
17 policies must not conflict with any federal data requirements.

18 (3) The Washington homeless client management information system
19 shall serve as an online information and referral system to enable
20 local governments and providers to connect homeless persons in the
21 database with available housing and other support services. Local
22 governments shall develop a capacity for continuous case management,
23 including independent living plans, when appropriate, to assist
24 homeless persons.

25 (4) The information in the Washington homeless client management
26 information system will also provide the department with the
27 information to consolidate and analyze data about the extent and nature
28 of homelessness in Washington state, giving emphasis to information
29 about the extent and nature of homelessness in Washington state among
30 families with children.

31 (5) The system may be merged with other data gathering and
32 reporting systems and shall:

- 33 (a) Protect the right of privacy of individuals;
- 34 (b) Provide for consultation and collaboration with all relevant
35 state agencies including the department of social and health services,
36 experts, and community organizations involved in the delivery of
37 services to homeless persons; and

1 (c) Include related information held or gathered by other state
2 agencies.

3 (6) Within amounts appropriated by the legislature, for this
4 specific purpose, the department shall evaluate the information
5 gathered and disseminate the analysis and the evaluation broadly, using
6 appropriate computer networks as well as written reports.

7 (7) The Washington homeless client management information system
8 shall be implemented by December 31, 2009, and updated with new
9 homeless client information at least annually."

SHB 1811 - S COMM AMD

By Committee on Human Services & Corrections

ADOPTED 04/07/2011

10 On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "services;" strike the
11 remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 43.185C.180."

EFFECT: This is a technical amendment that does not make any
substantive changes to the underlying bill.

--- END ---