

2ESSB 5180 - H COMM AMD

By Committee on Health Care & Wellness

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

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1)(a) The joint legislative executive
4 committee on aging and disability is reestablished with members as
5 provided in this subsection.

6 (i) The president of the senate shall appoint two members from
7 each of the two largest caucuses of the senate;

8 (ii) The speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint
9 two members from each of the two largest caucuses of the house of
10 representatives;

11 (iii) A member from the office of the governor, appointed by the
12 governor;

13 (iv) The secretary of the department of social and health
14 services, or his or her designee;

15 (v) The director of the health care authority, or his or her
16 designee;

17 (vi) The insurance commissioner, or his or her designee, who
18 shall serve as an ex officio member;

19 (vii) A member from the office of the state long-term care
20 ombuds;

21 (viii) A member from disability rights Washington; and

22 (ix) Other agency directors or designees, as necessary.

23 (b) The committee shall choose its cochairs from among its
24 legislative membership.

25 (2) The committee shall make recommendations and identify key
26 strategic actions to prepare for the aging of the population in
27 Washington, including state budget and policy options, by
28 identifying:

29 (a) Strategies to better serve the health care needs of an aging
30 population and people with disabilities to promote healthy living and
31 palliative care planning;

1 (b) Strategies and policy options to create financing mechanisms
2 for long-term services and supports that allow individuals and
3 families to meet their needs for service;

4 (c) Policies to promote financial security in retirement, support
5 people who wish to stay in the workplace longer, and expand the
6 availability of workplace retirement savings plans;

7 (d) Ways to promote advance planning and advance care directives
8 and implementation strategies for the Bree collaborative palliative
9 care and related guidelines;

10 (e) Ways to meet the needs of the aging demographic impacted by
11 reduced federal support;

12 (f) Ways to protect the rights of vulnerable adults through
13 assisted decision making and guardianship and other relevant
14 vulnerable adult protections;

15 (g) Options for promoting client safety through residential care
16 services and consider methods of protecting older people and people
17 with disabilities from physical abuse and financial exploitation; and

18 (h) Other policy options and recommendations to help communities
19 adapt to the aging demographic in planning for housing, land use, and
20 transportation.

21 (3) Staff support for the committee must be provided by the
22 senate committee services, office of program research, the office of
23 financial management, and the department of social and health
24 services.

25 (4) Legislative members of the committee are reimbursed for
26 travel expenses in accordance with RCW 44.04.120. Nonlegislative
27 members are not entitled to be reimbursed for travel expenses if they
28 are elected officials or are participating on behalf of an employer,
29 governmental entity, or other organization. Any reimbursement for
30 other nonlegislative members is subject to chapter 43.03 RCW.

31 (5) The expenses of the committee must be paid jointly by the
32 senate, house of representatives, and the office of financial
33 management. Committee expenditures are subject to approval by the
34 senate facilities and operations committee and the house of
35 representatives executive rules committee, or their successor
36 committees.

37 (6) By December 1, 2020, the committee shall submit a report to
38 the governor and each chamber of the legislature with any policy or
39 fiscal recommendations that have resulted from its deliberations.

40 (7) This section expires July 1, 2021.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act takes effect July 1, 2019."

2 Correct the title.

EFFECT: (1) Eliminates the Legislative Advisory Committee on Aging consisting of eight legislators and two agency representatives to study issues related to aging populations and disabled populations, including housing, long-term care, health and wellness, transportation, malnutrition, and financial security.

(2) Reestablishes the Joint Legislative Executive Committee on Aging and Disability (Committee) as of July 1, 2019, and expiring July 1, 2021. Includes the following members of the Committee: Eight legislators, representatives from the Department of Social and Health Services, the Health Care Authority, the Office of the Insurance Commissioner, the Office of the State Long-Term Care Ombuds, Disability Rights Washington, and other agency directors, as needed. Authorizes the Committee to review issues related to health care needs, financing mechanisms for long-term services and supports, financial security in retirement, advance planning and advance care directives, ways to meet the financial needs of those impacted by reduced federal support, the protection of vulnerable adults, client safety, and assistance for communities adapting to an aging population. Requires that the Committee submit a report by December 1, 2020.

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