

HB 1612-S2.E - DIGEST

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Changes the name of the safe homes task force to the suicide-safer homes task force, changes the composition of the task force, and modifies its duties.

Creates the suicide-safer homes project within the department of health to accept private funds for use by the task force in developing and providing suicide education and prevention materials, training, and outreach programs to help create suicide-safer homes.

Requires a licensed dentist, a licensed dental hygienist, or a person holding a retired active license as a dentist, to complete the one-time training in suicide assessment, treatment, and management.

Requires the school of dentistry at the University of Washington to develop a curriculum on suicide assessment, treatment, and management for dental students and licensed dentists.

Creates the suicide-safer homes project account.

Provides that this act is null and void if appropriations are not approved.

VETO MESSAGE ON E2SHB 1612

May 10, 2017

To the Honorable Speaker and Members,
The House of Representatives of the State of Washington

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith, without my approval as to Section 6, Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1612 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to a public health educational platform for suicide prevention and strategies to reduce access to lethal means."

This section is the same as the language in Section 2 of Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5552. Because SB 5552 also includes a couple of additional changes unrelated to the language in this bill, the Code Reviser advises this action so the RCW is clear. I support the policy and am glad that is fully contained in the other bill.

For these reasons I have vetoed Section 6 of Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1612.

With the exception of Section 6, Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill No. 1612 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Jay Inslee
Governor