

**HB 2451-S - DIGEST**

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the state health care authority, in collaboration with the University of Washington department of psychiatry and behavioral sciences and in consultation with Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center, to implement a partnership access line for moms and kids program to: (1) Support certain health care professionals who provide care to pregnant women and new mothers through same-day telephone consultations in the assessment and provision of appropriate diagnosis and treatment of depression;

(2) Facilitate referrals to children's mental health services and other resources for parents and guardians with concerns related to the mental health of the parent or guardian's child; and

(3) Collaborate with existing databases and resources to identify in-network mental health professionals.