

E2SHB 1277 - S AMD TO WM COMM AMD (S-2934.1/21) **923**

By Senator Robinson

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1 On page 6, line 34, after "(2)" insert:

2 "(a) By December 15, 2021, the department, in consultation with
3 stakeholder groups specified in section 2(2)(c) of this act, must
4 create a set of performance metrics for each county receiving funding
5 under section 1 of this act. The metrics must target actions within a
6 county's control that will prevent and reduce homelessness, such as
7 increasing the number of permanent supportive housing units and
8 increasing or maintaining an adequate number of noncongregate shelter
9 beds.

10 (b)(i) Beginning July 1, 2023, and by July 1st every two years
11 thereafter, the department must award funds for project-based
12 vouchers for nonprofit housing providers and related services, rapid
13 rehousing, and housing acquisition under section 1 of this act to
14 eligible grantees in a manner that 15 percent of funding is
15 distributed as a performance-based allocation based on performance
16 metrics created under (a) of this subsection, in addition to any base
17 allocation of funding for the county.

18 (ii) Any county that demonstrates that it has met or exceeded the
19 majority of the target actions to prevent and reduce homelessness
20 over the previous two years must receive the remaining 15 percent
21 performance-based allocation. Any county that fails to meet or exceed
22 the majority of target actions to prevent and reduce homelessness
23 must enter into a corrective action plan with the department. To
24 receive its performance-based allocation, a county must agree to
25 undertake the corrective actions outlined in the corrective action
26 plan and any reporting and monitoring deemed necessary by the
27 department. Any county that fails to meet or exceed the majority of
28 targets for two consecutive years after entering into a corrective
29 action plan may be subject to a reduction in the performance-based
30 portion of the funds received in (b)(i) of this subsection, at the
31 discretion of the department in consultation with stakeholder groups
32 specified in section 2(2)(c) of this act. Performance-based
33 allocations unspent due to lack of compliance with a corrective

1 action plan created under this subsection (2)(b) may be distributed
2 to other counties that have met or exceeded their target actions.

3 (3) "

4 Renumber the remaining subsections consecutively and correct any
5 internal references accordingly.

EFFECT: After two years, subjects 15 percent of funds specified in the bill for project-based vouchers for nonprofit housing providers and related services, rapid rehousing, and housing acquisition to performance-based metrics which are created and enforced by the Department. Counties who fail to meet or exceed the majority of targets specified by the department for two consecutive years must enter into a corrective action plan and may be subject to fund reductions. The department is granted the ability to reallocate unspent funds from counties that have failed to meet targets.

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