

**HB 1599** - S COMM AMD

By Committee on Law & Justice

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

3 **"Sec. 1.** RCW 71.05.620 and 2018 c 201 s 3028 are each amended to  
4 read as follows:

5 (1) The files and records of court proceedings under this chapter  
6 and chapter 71.34 RCW shall be closed but shall be accessible to:

7 (a) The department;

8 (b) The department of social and health services;

9 (c) The authority;

10 (d) The state hospitals as defined in RCW 72.23.010;

11 (e) Any person who is the subject of a petition;

12 (f) The attorney or guardian of the person;

13 (g) Resource management services for that person; (~~and~~)

14 (h) Service providers authorized to receive such information by  
15 resource management services; and

16 (i) The Washington state patrol firearms background division to  
17 conduct background checks for processing and purchasing firearms,  
18 concealed pistol licenses, alien firearms licenses, firearm rights  
19 restoration petitions under chapter 9.41 RCW, and release of firearms  
20 from evidence, including appeals of denial.

21 (2) The authority shall adopt rules to implement this section."

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22 On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "checks;" strike the  
23 remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 71.05.620."

EFFECT: Allows the Washington state patrol firearms background division to access files and records of involuntary treatment act

court proceedings to conduct background checks for firearm rights restoration petitions.

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