

RCW 71.05.285 Additional confinement—Prior history evidence.

In determining whether an inpatient or less restrictive alternative commitment under the process provided in RCW 71.05.280 and 71.05.320(4) is appropriate, great weight shall be given to evidence of a prior history or pattern of decompensation and discontinuation of treatment resulting in: (1) Repeated hospitalizations; or (2) repeated peace officer interventions resulting in juvenile offenses, criminal charges, diversion programs, or jail admissions. Such evidence may be used to provide a factual basis for concluding that the individual would not receive, if released, such care as is essential for his or her health or safety. [2018 c 201 § 3011; 2001 c 12 § 1; 1997 c 112 § 23.]

Findings—Intent—Effective date—2018 c 201: See notes following RCW 41.05.018.