SENATE BILL 5642

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By Senators McDonald, Niemi, Craswell and Pelz; by request of Office of Financial Management and Dept. of Social & Health Services.

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to class IV human immunodeficiency virus insurance
- 2 programs; and amending RCW 70.24.440.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 Sec. 1. RCW 70.24.440 and 1989 c 260 s 3 are each amended to read
- 5 as follows:
- 6 (1) "Class IV human immunodeficiency virus insurance program," as
- 7 used in this section, means the program financed by state funds to
- 8 assure health insurance coverage for individuals with class IV human
- 9 immunodeficiency virus infection, as defined by the state board of
- 10 health, who meet eligibility requirements established by the
- 11 department.
- 12 (2) The department may pay for health insurance coverage with funds
- 13 appropriated for this purpose on behalf of persons who are infected
- 14 with class IV human immunodeficiency virus, meet program eligibility
- 15 requirements, and are eligible for "continuation coverage" as provided

- 1 by the federal consolidated omnibus budget reconciliation act of 1985
- 2 or group health insurance policies((: PROVIDED, That this
- 3 authorization to pay for health insurance shall cease on June 30, 1991,
- 4 as to any coverage not initiated prior to that date)).