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## SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2533

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By House Committee on Health Care (originally sponsored by Representatives Veloria, Lisk, Quall, Lemmon, L. Johnson, Caver, Mastin, Karahalios and Van Luven)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to adult family homes; and creating new sections.
- 2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that adult family
- 4 homes provide a necessary, cost-effective, and caring environment for
- 5 a range of functionally disabled individuals who choose to receive
- 6 needed personal care in a homelike environment. The legislature
- 7 further finds that as more functionally disabled individuals choose
- 8 this type of long-term care residential option, additional data is
- 9 needed about the range of their personal care needs and the capacity of
- 10 this residential care option. Additional information and support will
- 11 in turn allow adult family homeowners and operators to improve their
- 12 ability to provide the most effective and efficient level of care for
- 13 their residents.
- 14 It is the intent of the legislature that adult family homes be
- 15 provided the support and assistance necessary to best care for their
- 16 functionally disabled residents.
- 17 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** The legislative budget committee shall
- 18 conduct a survey of state contracted adult family homes and report to

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- the appropriate committees of the legislature by September 6, 1995, on
  the following:
- 3 (1) The type of care setting or residential setting the residents 4 were in prior to residing in an adult family home;
  - (2) The average length of stay in an adult family home;

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- 6 (3) Aggregate information on the physical health, mental health, 7 and functional status of residents living in adult family homes;
- 8 (4) A comparison of the state reimbursement rates for adult family 9 home residents in Washington state with the state reimbursement rates 10 for adult family home care in all other states; and
- 11 (5) A comparison of state reimbursement rates in adult family homes 12 with other types of institutional and noninstitutional care settings in 13 Washington state.

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