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By Representatives Koster, Mulliken and others

On page 3, beginning on line 4 of the striking amendment, strike all of section 3 and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 71.34 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) Any treatment provider at an inpatient evaluation and treatment facility who agrees to provide inpatient treatment to a minor at the minor's request under RCW 71.34.030(2), must notify the minor's parent or guardian of the minor's request for inpatient treatment. The notice must be made within forty-eight hours of the request for treatment, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, and must contain the same information as required under RCW 71.34.030(2)(b). If the minor is admitted to the inpatient treatment facility upon the minor's request for inpatient treatment the notice must be provided within twenty-four hours as provided in RCW 71.34.030(2)(b).
- (2) Any treatment provider of outpatient treatment must notify the minor's parent or guardian of the minor's request for outpatient treatment beyond an initial assessment. The notice must be made within seven days of the request for treatment, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, and must contain the same information as required under RCW 71.34.030(2)(b).
- (3) The treatment provider is not required to notify a parent or guardian of a minor's request for inpatient or outpatient treatment as required by this section, if the minor does not consent to notifying the parent or guardian and the minor claims that a parent or guardian has physically or sexually abused the minor. If the minor is admitted for inpatient treatment, the notice provisions of RCW 71.34.030(2)(b) apply."

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EFFECT: Notice of the minor's request for treatment is not required if the minor does not consent to the notifying a parent or guardian and the minor states that a parent or guardian has sexually or physically abused the child. If the child is admitted into an inpatient mental health treatment facility, existing notice rules apply (within 24 hours of admission). Technical and clarifying amendments are added to distinguish the notice requirements for requests for treatment and those required upon admission to an inpatient treatment facility.

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