

1 **SB 6243 - H AMD 416 WITHDRAWN 3-1-96**

2 By Representatives Cody, Quall and Tokuda

3 On page 2, line 24, after "10.95 RCW" insert ", unless the
4 department of corrections can reasonably estimate that an organ
5 transplant could be less expensive than maintaining the on-going
6 medical treatment for the condition. The determination of cost
7 efficiency shall be based on a comparison of the total medical
8 costs for maintaining the inmate on treatment during the estimated
9 time remaining prior to the execution versus the total costs for
10 conducting and maintaining the inmate's organ transplant over that
11 same period of time. The secretary of the department of
12 corrections shall review the cost comparison and make the final
13 decision on which medical procedure is less expensive"

EFFECT: The Department of Corrections is required to conduct a cost comparison on any inmate who is sentenced to death and requires a transplant to assess if the cost of providing the transplant would be less expensive than maintaining the inmate on an on-going treatment prior to the planned execution. The Secretary of the Department of Corrections is required to make the final decision on the medical procedure used.