

5418-S

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Long, Patterson, Hargrove, Hochstatter, Stevens, Winsley and Kohl-Welles)

Brief Description: Requiring providing of chemical dependency treatment services upon request.

**SB 5418-S - DIGEST**

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares that, notwithstanding any other provision of chapter 70.96A RCW, the department shall provide services as follows:

(1) For persons whose income is less than two hundred percent of the federal poverty level and for minors who request chemical dependency treatment, according to the needs indicated by the person's chemical dependency assessment. Determination of appropriate chemical dependency treatment or placement shall consider the person's chemical dependency treatment needs in light of any existing co-occurring disorders;

(2) Involuntary treatment;

(3) To meet federal program requirements; and

(4) Within available funds, to meet the other duties of the department as defined in this chapter and in chapter 74.50 RCW.