

ESSB 6386 - H AMD TO APP COMM AMD (H-5297.5/06) 1001
By Representative Cody

WITHDRAWN 2/24/2006

1 On page 95, after line 3, insert the following:

2 "(26) By December 1, 2006, the department shall report to the
3 appropriate committees of the legislature on gender reassignment
4 treatment. The report shall address:

5 (a) Whether other states' medicaid programs cover gender
6 reassignment treatment, and if covered, any prior authorization
7 criteria used by those states;

8 (b) Whether there have been federal court decisions related to
9 the ability of states to limit coverage of gender reassignment
10 treatment in their medicaid programs; and

11 (c) Whether the Washington state medicaid program has
12 undertaken an evidence-based review of the effectiveness of gender
13 reassignment treatment options, and any results of such a review."

EFFECT: Directs the Department of Social and Health Services to report to the appropriate committees of the Legislature by December 1, 2006 on gender reassignment treatment.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.