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**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6601**

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**State of Washington**

**60th Legislature**

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**By** Senate Health & Long-Term Care (originally sponsored by Senators Keiser, Zarelli, Kauffman, and Shin)

READ FIRST TIME 02/08/08.

1 AN ACT Relating to home care agencies; and adding a new section to  
2 chapter 74.39A RCW.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 74.39A RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6 The department shall not contract with any home care agency, as  
7 defined in RCW 70.127.010, that has been found by the department of  
8 labor and industries or a court of competent jurisdiction to have  
9 violated any provision of chapters 39.12, 49.46, and 49.48 RCW, unless  
10 the department finds that denying a contract would seriously inhibit  
11 the state's ability to provide vulnerable and elderly residents with  
12 quality community-based home care or the agency's violation or  
13 violations involved: (1) Very few employees; (2) a de minimus amount  
14 of wages per affected employee; or (3) an incidental offense.

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