

SHB 1527 - S COMM AMD
By Committee on Health Care

NOT CONSIDERED

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 71A.20
4 RCW to read as follows:

5 The department:

6 (1) Shall, within thirty days of admission to a residential
7 habilitation center, ensure that each resident's individual
8 habilitation plan includes a plan for discharge to the community;

9 (2) Shall use a person-centered approach in developing the
10 discharge plan to assess the resident's needs and identify services the
11 resident requires to successfully transition to the community,
12 including:

13 (a) Providing choice of community living options and providers,
14 consistent with federal requirements, including offering to place, with
15 the consent of the resident or his or her guardian, each resident of
16 the residential habilitation center on the appropriate home and
17 community-based waiver, as authorized under 42 U.S.C. Sec. 1396n, and
18 provide continued access to the services through medicaid and through
19 state funds made available for this purpose that meet his or her
20 assessed needs;

21 (b) Providing residents and their families or guardians
22 opportunities to visit state-operated living alternatives and supported
23 living options in the community. Such visits must be conducted with
24 the consent of the residents of these community facilities;

25 (c) Offering residents leaving a residential habilitation center a
26 "right to return" to a residential habilitation center for two years
27 following their move;

28 (d) Addressing services in addition to those that will be provided
29 by providers of residential services that are necessary to address the
30 resident's assessed needs, including:

- 1 (i) Medical services;
- 2 (ii) Nursing services;
- 3 (iii) Dental care;
- 4 (iv) Behavioral and mental health supports;
- 5 (v) Habilitation services; and
- 6 (vi) Employment or other day support;
- 7 (3) Shall assure that, prior to discharge from a residential
- 8 habilitation center, clients continue to receive services for which
- 9 they have an assessed need;
- 10 (4) Shall maximize federal funding for transitioning clients, such
- 11 as utilizing the roads to community living grant;
- 12 (5) Shall use any savings achieved through efficiencies to extend
- 13 services, including state-staffed and private contractor-staffed crisis
- 14 stabilization and respite services, to people with developmental
- 15 disabilities currently receiving limited or no services, consistent
- 16 with RCW 71A.10.015;
- 17 (6) Shall employ the quality assurance process currently in use by
- 18 the department to monitor the adjustment of each resident who leaves a
- 19 residential habilitation center.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 71A.20 RCW

21 to read as follows:

- 22 (1) Beginning November 1, 2013, and annually thereafter, the
- 23 department shall submit information to the appropriate committees of
- 24 the legislature regarding persons who have transitioned from
- 25 residential habilitation centers to the community, for the first two
- 26 years following each person's new placement, including:
- 27 (a) Progress toward meeting the requirements of this act;
- 28 (b) Client and guardian satisfaction with services;
- 29 (c) Stability of placement and provider turnover, including
- 30 information on returns to a residential habilitation center under
- 31 section 1(2)(d) of this act;
- 32 (d) Safety and health outcomes;
- 33 (e) Types of services received by clients transitioned to the
- 34 community; and
- 35 (f) Continued accessibility of former residents to family.
- 36 (2) This section expires November 1, 2018."

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1 On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "disabilities;" strike the
2 remainder of the title and insert "adding new sections to chapter
3 71A.20 RCW; and providing an expiration date."

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