

**SSB 6002 - S AMD 539**

By Senator Conway

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1 On page 71, after line 10, insert the following:

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3 "(f) The department shall form a workgroup to review direct care  
4 staffing levels by ward at the state hospitals and shall make  
5 recommendations for staffing levels and reporting structures to  
6 improve patient and staff safety. The workgroup must include  
7 representatives from eastern state hospital, western state hospital,  
8 and child study and treatment center and shall include  
9 representation from labor. "

10 EFFECT: Requires the Department of Social and Health Services to review current direct care staffing levels by ward at each state hospital and to make recommendations for staffing levels to improve patient and staff safety.

FISCAL IMPACT: No fiscal impact.

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