## SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6560

State of Washington 65th Legislature 2018 Regular Session

By Senate Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Darneille, Billig, Frockt, Hunt, Kuderer, Palumbo, and Wellman)

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- AN ACT Relating to ensuring that no youth is discharged from a public system of care into homelessness; and creating a new section.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- (1)4 NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. In accordance with RCW 43.330.700(5)(a), it is the goal of the legislature, that beginning 5 6 January 1, 2020, any youth discharged from a public system of care in 7 our state will be discharged into safe and stable housing, and that this policy applies to any judicial proceeding through which the 8 9 youth has been committed to the public system of care or in any collateral proceeding that involves the custody of the youth in that 10 11 system.
- 12 (2) The office of homeless youth prevention and protection 13 programs must develop a plan to ensure that, by December 31, 2019, no 14 youth is discharged from a public system of care into homelessness. The plan must specify actions that state agencies will need to take, 15 any necessary statutory and funding legislative action, and the 16 17 assignment of those specific state agency actions to effectuate all 18 parts of the plan. By December 31, 2018, the office of homeless youth 19 prevention and protection programs must issue the plan to the 20 appropriate committees of the legislature and the governor. The

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- 1 governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature must
- 2 respond to the plan by March 31, 2019.

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