

**E2SSB 5377** - H AMD TO H AMD (H-1523.1/21) **667**

By Representative Cody

**ADOPTED 04/08/2021**

1 On page 5, line 4 of the striking amendment, after "(a)" strike  
2 "At the request of" and insert "Upon an offer from"

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4 On page 5, line 8 of the striking amendment, after "with" strike  
5 "the" and insert "at least one"

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7 On page 5, line 9 of the striking amendment, after "plan" insert  
8 ". This subsection (1)(a) does not apply to a hospital owned and  
9 operated by a health maintenance organization licensed under chapter  
10 48.46 RCW"

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EFFECT: Requires, if public option plans are not available statewide in 2022, a hospital to contract with at least one public option plan (instead of with "the" public option plan) upon an offer from a public option plan (instead of "at the request of" a public option plan). Exempts hospitals owned and operated by health maintenance organizations from the contracting requirement.

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