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**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2350**

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**By** House Early Learning & Human Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Farivar, Kloba, Reed, Fitzgibbon, Thomas, and Hill)

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1 AN ACT Relating to increasing transparency regarding residential  
2 habilitation center compliance with certain federal requirements; and  
3 adding a new section to chapter 71A.20 RCW.

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

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

7 (1) Any time the department receives notice that a residential  
8 habilitation center is out of compliance with the centers for  
9 medicare and medicaid services conditions of participation or  
10 requirements, the secretary or the secretary's designee shall provide  
11 notice, in the manner described in subsection (2) of this section,  
12 within 10 days, of the following:

13 (a) The initial statement of deficiencies or other determination  
14 of noncompliance, including the reason or reasons for the finding of  
15 noncompliance, and a plain language summary of the findings that  
16 explains the nature of the noncompliance and its potential impact on  
17 resident safety;

18 (b) Establishment of any plan of correction for the facility; and

19 (c) All subsequent determinations regarding the facility's  
20 return, or failure to return, to compliance, and any related  
21 enforcement action.

1           (2) Notices as required in subsection (1) of this section must  
2 be:

3           (a) Prominently posted at the relevant residential habilitation  
4 center until the violation is corrected to the satisfaction of the  
5 centers for medicare and medicaid services. The notices must be  
6 posted in a place or places in plain view of the residents of the  
7 residential habilitation center, persons visiting those residents,  
8 and any person who inquires about placement in the facility. Posted  
9 notices must be in English and all alternative languages that have  
10 been requested by residents of the relevant residential habitation  
11 center; and

12           (b) Provided in writing or email to individuals as indicated in  
13 RCW 71A.10.060 that are associated with residents of the relevant  
14 residential habilitation center. If individuals for which notice must  
15 be provided under this subsection (b) have indicated a preferred  
16 language other than English, notice must be provided in the preferred  
17 language.

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