

FINAL BILL REPORT

SSB 5918

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Revising provisions for a single system of accountability for the mental health service delivery system.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Sheldon, Hargrove, Quigley, Prentice, Rasmussen and Kohl).

Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections
House Committee on Children & Family Services

Background: In 1994, legislation was enacted requiring the Department of Social and Health Services to establish a project streamlining accountability systems for mental health programs. The project is to be implemented in at least two regional support networks by July 1995 with full statewide implementation by July 1997.

Summary: The Department of Social and Health Services is required to proceed with the project to streamline accountability systems that affect the community mental health service delivery system.

The definition of community mental health service delivery system includes agencies that specifically provide services for persons with mental disorders and receive funding from various federal or state sources.

The department is required to make systematic efforts to include state, federal, and local funds into the single system of accountability.

Votes on Final Passage:

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| Senate | 45 0 |
| House | 97 0 |

Effective: April 18, 1995