2 **SB 6089** - S AMD TO WM COMM AMD (S-4141.1/92)
3   By Senators Madsen and Kreidler

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5   On page 2, line 4 of the amendment, after "included;" strike "and"

6   On page 2, line 7 of the amendment, after "law" insert ";

7   (3) In addition, the health care commission has the duty to examine

8 the following and report to the legislature on recommendations for

9 legislation:

10   (a) In order to meet the health needs of the citizenry, it is

11 critical to organize the foundation for financing and providing

12 community-based long-term care and support services through an

13 integrated, comprehensive system that promotes human dignity and

14 recognizes the individuality of all functionally disabled persons.

15 This system shall be available, accessible, and responsive to all

16 citizens based upon an assessment of their functional disabilities.

17 The legislature recognizes that families, volunteers, and community

18 organizations are absolutely essential for delivery of effective and

19 efficient community-based, long-term care and support services and that

20 this private and public service infrastructure should be supported and

21 strengthened. Further, it is important to provide secured benefits

22 assurance in perpetuity without requiring family or program beneficiary

23 impoverishment for service eligibility.

24   (b) Recognizing that financial stability is essential to success of

25 a comprehensive long-term care system and that current and future

26 demands are exceeding available financial resources, a dedicated fund

27 comprised of state general funds, matching federal funds, public

1 insurance funds, and sliding fee contributions by program beneficiaries

2 needs be established.

3   (c) It is the intent of this chapter that the Washington state

4 legislature develop a program and financial structure for the

5 functionally disabled as suggested in this section and adopt the

6 necessary legislation no later than the adjournment of the 1994 regular

7 session of the legislature"