
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1542

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By House Committee on Health Care (originally sponsored by Representatives Cooper, Moyer, Braddock, Ferguson, Leonard, May, Dorn, Riley, Prentice, H. Myers, Hargrove, Ogden, Peery, Morris, Heavey, Sprenkle, Brekke, Cantwell, Haugen, Jones, Van Luven, Ludwig, Scott and Winsley).

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1 AN ACT Relating to the expansion of private community programs for
2 adults with developmental disabilities; adding a new section to chapter
3 71A.12 RCW; and declaring an emergency.

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.12 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) The legislature finds that adults with developmental
8 disabilities who do not receive publicly funded residential,
9 employment, or other appropriate day program services do not reach
10 their full potential. Often, students with developmental disabilities
11 who leave school are unable to find employment or other appropriate day
12 program services.

13 (2) Effective July 1, 1991, the secretary of the department of
14 social and health services shall expand private community programs for
15 adults with developmental disabilities to ensure that all such persons

1 graduating from secondary school are provided appropriate residential,
2 employment, or other appropriate day program services.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate
4 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
5 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
6 effect immediately.