
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1623

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By House Committee on Human Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Thibaudeau, Flemming, Brough, Wolfe, Roland, Brown, Leonard, Locke, Anderson, Talcott, King, Scott, J. Kohl and L. Johnson)

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1 AN ACT Relating to therapeutic child care; amending RCW 74.14B.040;
2 and creating new sections.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that family
5 preservation services and therapeutic child care strengthen at-risk
6 families. These services are successful at preventing a child's
7 removal from the family home and resolving behaviors that have the
8 potential to harm children. Providing administrative agencies with the
9 flexibility to transfer funds to prevention programs will reduce out-
10 of-home placement of children, keep families together, and save the
11 state money through avoided expenditures for foster care.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** Any federal funds made available for
13 therapeutic child care shall be used to supplement and shall not
14 supplant state funds to carry out the purposes of this act.

15 **Sec. 3.** RCW 74.14B.040 and 1987 c 503 s 13 are each amended to
16 read as follows:

1 The department shall, within funds appropriated for this purpose,
2 provide therapeutic ((day)) child care and day treatment to children
3 who have been abused or neglected and meet program eligibility
4 criteria.

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