
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1693

State of Washington

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By House Committee on Human Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Thibaudeau, Leonard and King)

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1 AN ACT Relating to foster parents; adding a new section to chapter
2 74.13 RCW; and creating a new section.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that foster parents
5 are often required to spend their own money on the care and treatment
6 of foster children because the department of social and health services
7 reimburses foster parents retrospectively for expenses incurred. This
8 places an additional burden on foster parents who are currently
9 experiencing more difficult children for placement, low reimbursement
10 rates, and demands for increased training and service outcomes.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 74.13 RCW
12 under the subchapter heading "Foster Care" to read as follows:

13 The department of social and health services shall develop a system
14 for providing foster parents with prospective reimbursement for
15 expenses incurred related to the care and treatment of foster children.

- 1 The department may issue credit cards, use electronic benefit transfer
- 2 technology, or other methods to address this problem.

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