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2 **SB 5086** - S AMD - 104

3 By Senators Patterson and Hargrove

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5 On page 1, line 10 after "education." strike the remainder of the  
6 section and insert "The legislature declares determining the amount of,  
7 if any, postsecondary support to be provided adult children is  
8 primarily the responsibility of the parents regardless of their marital  
9 status and should be the subject of judicial consideration only when  
10 extraordinary circumstances exist. Consequently, the legislature  
11 intends to modify the ruling in *Childers v. Childers*, 84 Wn. 2d 592  
12 (1978) and cases which follow the *Childers* precedent.

13 On page 2, line 10, after "age" insert "unless the court finds  
14 there are exceptional medical circumstances such as the existence of  
15 the child's developmental or chronic functional disability, in which  
16 case the court may enter an order for such amount and under such  
17 circumstances as are reasonable, considering the circumstances of all  
18 parties"

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**EFFECT:** Allows the court to examine the circumstances of the child and award support to disabled children.