
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2239

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By House Committee on Health Care (originally sponsored by Representative Sherstad)

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1 AN ACT Relating to enhanced adult residential care services; and
2 adding a new section to chapter 18.20 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 18.20 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 For the purpose of encouraging a nursing home licensed under
7 chapter 18.51 RCW to convert a portion or all of its licensed bed
8 capacity to provide enhanced adult residential care contracted services
9 under chapter 74.39A RCW and to create parity with the assisted living
10 services component as intended by the legislature in enacting chapter
11 74.39A RCW, the department shall:

12 (1) Find the nursing home to be in satisfactory compliance with RCW
13 18.20.110 and 18.20.130, upon application for boarding home licensure
14 and the production of copies of its most recent nursing home inspection
15 reports demonstrating compliance with the safety standards and fire
16 regulations, as required by RCW 18.51.140, and the state building code,
17 as required by RCW 18.51.145, including any waivers that may have been
18 granted. However, boarding home licensure requirements pertaining to
19 resident to bathing fixture/toilet ratio, corridor call system,

1 resident room door closures, and resident room windows may require
2 modification, unless determined to be functionally equivalent, based
3 upon a prelicensure survey inspection.

4 (2) Allow residents receiving enhanced adult residential care
5 services to make arrangements for on-site health care services,
6 consistent with Title 18 RCW regulating health care professions, to the
7 extent that such services can be provided while maintaining the
8 resident's right to privacy and safety in treatment, but this in no way
9 means that such services may only be provided in a private room. The
10 provision of on-site health care services must otherwise be consistent
11 with RCW 18.20.160 and the rules adopted under RCW 18.20.160.

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