
HOUSE BILL 2398

State of Washington

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By Representatives Romero, Wolfe and Gardner

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1 AN ACT Relating to secure inpatient treatment for female youth;
2 adding a new section to chapter 70.96A RCW, and making an
3 appropriation.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 70.96A RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 The department shall contract with a qualified vendor to provide
8 secure level II inpatient treatment services for female youth. The
9 treatment services shall target high-risk female youth who are
10 incapacitated by alcohol or other drugs, have impaired judgment
11 rendering them incapable of realizing and making rational decisions
12 with respect to need of treatment, and present a likelihood of serious
13 harm to self or others. Placements into secure level II inpatient
14 treatment services for female youth may be authorized through the
15 involuntary commitment process under this chapter or placement and
16 treatment procedures under chapter 13.32A RCW.

17 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** The sum of one million twenty-two thousand
18 dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for

1 the general fund to the department of social and health services for
2 the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999, to carry out the purposes of this
3 act.

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