

1 **ESSB 5180 - H AMD 317 FAILED 4-25-99**

2 By Representative Alexander

3 On page 41, after line 26, insert \$1,000,000 of the general fund-  
4 -state appropriation for fiscal year 2000 and \$1,000,000 of the general  
5 fund--state appropriation for fiscal year 2001 are provided solely to  
6 establish a pilot program in a limited number of counties to evaluate  
7 the treatment outcomes and cost benefits of providing funding for  
8 atypical antipsychotic medications, and other antipsychotic medications  
9 when appropriate, in community settings for persons who are not  
10 currently eligible for benefits under the medicaid program, Title XIX  
11 of the federal social security act. The program shall be developed in  
12 consultation with the regional support networks and other interested  
13 organizations, and implemented through the regional support networks.  
14 The program design shall include the establishment of a funding  
15 mechanism separate from the regional support network funding formula  
16 for distributing specific appropriations for the atypical antipsychotic  
17 medications to community settings and regional support networks  
18 participating in the pilot.

19 (i) Atypical antipsychotic medications provided through the  
20 program shall be purchased by the department through competitive  
21 procurement. The procurement shall include at a minimum: (A) a  
22 requirement that rates paid for the medications not exceed those paid  
23 to pharmacists for dispensing fees and ingredient costs of atypical  
24 antipsychotic medications under the state medicaid program, exclusive  
25 of rebate payments made by pharmaceutical manufacturers to the  
26 department; (B) a requirement that there be an adequate distribution  
27 mechanism to make the medications available in communities served by  
28 the program; (C) a requirement that all federal drug administration  
29 approved atypical antipsychotic medications be included in the program,  
30 using the same formulary guidelines that exist for state Medicaid  
31 enrollees, and provided to eligible persons as prescribed by the  
32 consulting mental health services provider; and (D) other performance  
33 standards deemed appropriate by the department.

34 (ii) Benefits under the pilot program will be targeted to the  
35 following groups of persons: (A) Persons in crisis who are not medicaid  
36 eligible; (B) working poor persons who are not medicaid eligible and

1 who need continued access to antipsychotic medications in order to  
2 retain their employment; (C) persons transitioning from jail or from  
3 department of corrections facilities to medicaid eligibility; and (D)  
4 persons in jail.

5 (iii) The pilot program shall include an evaluation component.  
6 The evaluation shall assess whether the availability of atypical  
7 antipsychotic medications through the program results in cost savings  
8 to the state and positive treatment outcomes for persons served through  
9 the program, including the ability to obtain and maintain employment;  
10 and whether the funding mechanism developed for the pilot adequately  
11 provides services to identified persons in need in the pilot counties.-

12 On page 40, line 9, increase the general fund--state appropriation  
13 for fiscal year 2000 by \$1,000,000

14 On page 40, line 10, increase the general fund--state  
15 appropriation for fiscal year 2001 by \$1,000,000

16 On page 40, line 13, correct the total accordingly.

**EFFECT:** Adds funding for a pilot project for atypical  
antipsychotic medications, targeted to specific populations. An  
evaluation component is included.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Increases General Fund-State by \$2,000,000.