
SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2663

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By House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Alexander, Schual-Berke, Parlette, Cody, Reardon, Ericksen, Morris, Tokuda, Benson, Doumit, Pflug, Kessler, Ruderman, Rockefeller, Edmonds, Santos, O'Brien, Hurst and Esser)

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1 AN ACT Relating to the distribution of atypical antipsychotic
2 medications to underserved populations; and creating new sections.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The department of social and health
5 services shall create a pilot program to provide atypical antipsychotic
6 medications to the following underserved populations who meet one or
7 more of these qualifications:

8 (a) Persons in crisis who are not medicaid eligible;

9 (b) Working poor under two hundred percent of the federal poverty
10 level and who are not medicaid eligible and need continued access to
11 antipsychotic medications;

12 (c) Persons transitioning from jail and from department of
13 corrections facilities to medicaid eligibility; and

14 (d) Persons in jail.

15 (2) This pilot program shall consist of not less than two
16 grants awarded to regional support networks.

17 (3) To be eligible for a grant under this program, the department
18 shall establish a competitive application process specifying the
19 population to be served and the reimbursement and distribution

1 mechanism to be used. The department shall evaluate the applications
2 and award grants based on programs that optimize the number of
3 individuals served within available resources.

4 (4) Funding for this program shall be used to provide these persons
5 with atypical antipsychotic medications and any associated laboratory
6 testing related to the use of these medications.

7 (5) Funding for this grant program is to be separate from the
8 regional support network allocation formula. The department shall
9 report to the legislature on the results of this program by December 1,
10 2001.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** If specific funding for the purposes of this
12 act is not provided by June 30, 2000, in the omnibus appropriations
13 act, this act is null and void.

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