

1525-S

Sponsor(s): House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Dickerson, Constantine and Lambert)

Brief Title: Authorizing mediation in guardianship proceedings.

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(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Provides that, prior to the appointment of a guardian or a limited guardian, whenever it appears that the incapacitated person or incapacitated person's estate could benefit from mediation and such mediation would likely result in overall reduced costs to the estate, upon the motion of the alleged incapacitated person or the guardian ad litem, or subsequent to such appointment, whenever it appears that the incapacitated person or incapacitated person's estate could benefit from mediation and such mediation would likely result in overall reduced costs to the estate, upon the motion of any interested person, the court may: (1) Require any party or other person subject to the jurisdiction of the court to participate in mediation;

(2) establish the terms of the mediation; and

(3) allocate the cost of the mediation pursuant to RCW 11.96.140.