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Sponsor(s): Representatives Cody, Ballasiotes, Schual-Berke, Campbell, Tokuda, Kagi, Edmonds, Keiser, Santos, Edwards, Veloria and McIntire

Brief Description: Providing for involuntary outpatient psychiatric treatment.

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Declares that a person may be ordered to obtain involuntary outpatient treatment under chapter 71.05 RCW if the court finds that the person:

(1) Has had more than two involuntary inpatient or outpatient detentions within the last twenty-four months;

(2) Is suffering from a severe mental disorder;

(3) Is capable of surviving safely in the community with supervision;

(4) Based on treatment history and current behavior, is now in need of treatment in order to prevent a relapse or deterioration that would predictably result in the person becoming imminently dangerous or in need of hospitalization;

(5) Is unable to make an informed decision to seek or comply with recommended treatment; and

(6) Has a reasonable prospect that outpatient treatment will be beneficial.