

5185-S2

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Thibaudeau, Winsley, Costa and Kohl-Welles; by request of Department of Social and Health Services)

Brief Description: Developing a home and community-based waiver for persons in community residential settings.

**SB 5185-S2 - DIGEST**

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 2ND SUBSTITUTE)

Declares that, to the extent of available funds and subject to any conditions placed on appropriations for this purpose, the department may provide one or more home and community-based waiver programs in accordance with section 1915(c) of the federal social security act for Washington residents who have a gross income in excess of three hundred percent of the federal supplemental security income benefit level. The waiver services provided in accordance with this section may differ from, and shall operate with a separate limit or limits on total enrollment than, those provided for persons who are categorically needy as defined in Title XIX of the federal social security act.

Requires the department to establish eligibility criteria, applicable income standards, and the specific waiver services to be provided in rule.