

5399-S

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care (originally sponsored by Senators Thibaudeau, Fairley, Franklin, Kohl-Welles, Costa, McAuliffe and Rasmussen; by request of Governor Locke)

Brief Description: Regarding the history of caregiver performance in long-term care services.

**SB 5399-S - DIGEST**

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides that, in addition to any registry maintained by the department to satisfy participation requirements of federally funded programs, the department shall establish and maintain a state caregiver registry containing names of, and other identifying information about, individuals who have been found to have abandoned, abused, financially exploited, or neglected vulnerable adults.

Directs the department to remove the name of any individual from the caregiver registry who: (1) Later is found by the office of appeals under chapter 34.05 RCW, or a court of law not to have abandoned, abused, financially exploited, or neglected vulnerable adults; or

(2) Was erroneously placed upon the registry.