

SSB 5807 - S AMD 193 to S AMD (5807-S AMS PARL S2476.3)
By Senator Brown

3/14/03 NOT ADOPTED

1 On page 23, after line 34 of the amendment, insert the following:

2 " NEW SECTION. Sec. 12. A new section is added to chapter 70.47 RCW
3 to read as follows:

4 (1) The administrator, in coordination with the department of
5 social and health services medical assistance administration and
6 interested entities, will identify and design pilot projects to improve
7 health care coverage access, including review of proposals by entities
8 that are able to demonstrate to the administrator that they have
9 received funding through a reliable source, such as a federal grant
10 program, that can reasonably be expected to be adequate to complete
11 their portion of the pilot project. The administrator may approve
12 pilot projects that are found to be feasible. Pilot projects may
13 include applying basic health plan subsidy payments toward
14 employer-sponsored health insurance or other health insurance premium
15 shares, rather than as direct payments to managed health care systems
16 participating in the basic health plan.

17 (2) The schedule of benefits for persons enrolled through an
18 approved pilot project may differ from the benefits offered through the
19 basic health plan, but must be reasonably comparable in value to those
20 benefits.

21 (3) Any pilot project approved by the administrator must provide
22 coverage through managed health care systems.

23 (4) By November 1, 2003, the administrator and the secretary of the
24 department of social and health services shall jointly report to the
25 health care committees of the senate and the house of representatives
26 on their progress in developing the pilot projects authorized in this
27 act, the anticipated implementation date of any pilot project under
28 development, and the resources needed to implement the pilot project."

29 On page 5, line 5 of the amendment, after "~~plan-))~~", insert the
30 following:

1 "Upon approval of a pilot project under section 12 of this act,
2 "subsidized enrollee" also means an individual, or an individual's
3 spouse or dependent children, who meets the requirements of (a), (b),
4 (c), (e) and (f) of this subsection, who resides within the state of
5 Washington, and who qualifies for a premium subsidy under a pilot
6 project approved under section 12 of this act."

7 On page 5, line 7 of the amendment, after "system" insert "or
8 through payments developed as part of a pilot project approved under
9 section 12 of this act"

10 Renumber the sections consecutively and correct any internal
11 references accordingly.

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EFFECT: Directs the health care authority to identify and design BHP pilot projects to improve health care coverage access.