
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 3081

State of Washington 58th Legislature 2004 Regular Session

By House Committee on Children & Family Services (originally sponsored by Representative Rockefeller)

READ FIRST TIME 02/06/04.

1 AN ACT Relating to medical and dental care and testing for children
2 in the care of the department of social and health services; and adding
3 new sections to chapter 74.13 RCW.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 74.13 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 The legislature intends to establish a policy with the goal of
8 ensuring that the health and well-being of both infants in foster care
9 and the families providing for their care are protected.

10 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 74.13 RCW
11 to read as follows:

12 (1) The department of health shall develop recommendations
13 concerning evidence-based practices for testing for blood-borne
14 pathogens of children under one year of age who have been placed in
15 out-of-home care.

16 (2) The department shall report to the appropriate committees of
17 the legislature on the recommendations developed in accordance with
18 subsection (1) of this section by January 1, 2005.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 74.13 RCW
2 to read as follows:

3 (1) Upon any placement, the department of social and health
4 services shall inform each out-of-home care provider if the child to be
5 placed in that provider's care is infected with a blood-borne pathogen,
6 if known by the department.

7 (2) All out-of-home care providers licensed by the department shall
8 receive training related to blood-borne pathogens, including
9 prevention, transmission, infection control, treatment, testing, and
10 confidentiality.

11 (3) Any disclosure of information related to HIV must be in
12 accordance with RCW 70.24.105.

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