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SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5511

State of Washington 58th Legislature 2003 Regular Session

By Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care (originally sponsored by Senators Deccio, Keiser, Parlette, Eide, West, Brandland, Carlson, Hale, Mulliken, Rasmussen and Winsley)

READ FIRST TIME 03/05/03.

- 1 AN ACT Relating to preventing increase in the regulatory costs on
- 2 long-term care providers; amending RCW 74.08.090; and declaring an
- 3 emergency.

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- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 74.08.090 and 1969 ex.s. c 173 s 5 are each amended to read as follows:
 - (1) The department is hereby authorized to make rules and regulations not inconsistent with the provisions of this title to the end that this title shall be administered uniformly throughout the state, and that the spirit and purpose of this title may be complied with. The department shall have the power to compel compliance with the rules and regulations established by it. Such rules and regulations shall be filed in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, as it is now or hereafter amended, and copies shall be available for public inspection in the office of the department and in each county office.
- (2) No rule adopted after January 1, 2003, that changes eligibility
 standards for adult day services, including requirements that
 department of social and health services case managers refer clients to

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adult day services, may be implemented until a review of reimbursement rates to these programs has been conducted by the department and a report submitted to the legislature no later than December 1, 2004.

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6 7 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect immediately.

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