
SENATE BILL 5976

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By Senator Stevens

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1 AN ACT Relating to adult day care services; amending RCW
2 70.128.030; and creating a new section.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that adult day care
5 services can provide a needed service to individuals who find it
6 difficult to care for themselves in their own residences during the
7 day. The legislature intends that families be able to care for their
8 family members with disabilities at home and that neighbors help
9 neighbors with this care without permission from the government. Adult
10 day care can assist family members in providing continuous community-
11 based care for their family members with disabilities and reduce the
12 need for more expensive nursing and other residential facility care.

13 **Sec. 2.** RCW 70.128.030 and 1989 c 427 s 17 are each amended to
14 read as follows:

15 The following residential facilities shall be exempt from the
16 operation of this chapter:

- 17 (1) Nursing homes licensed under chapter 18.51 RCW;
18 (2) Boarding homes licensed under chapter 18.20 RCW;

- 1 (3) Facilities approved and certified under chapter 71A.22 RCW;
2 (4) Residential treatment centers for the mentally ill licensed
3 under chapter 71.24 RCW;
4 (5) Hospitals licensed under chapter 70.41 RCW;
5 (6) Homes for the developmentally disabled licensed under chapter
6 74.15 RCW;
7 (7) Adult day care homes which are regular private family abodes in
8 which the home owner is the resident manager and primary care giver,
9 and provides care to no more than five adults during the day and does
10 not provide overnight care.

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