

SB 5493-S - DIGEST

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Amends RCW 70.54.360 relating to removing state funding restrictions from the hepatitis C state plan.

Provides that state funds that are used for the implementation of the 2004 Washington state hepatitis C strategic plan shall be limited to hepatitis C prevention, education, and testing activities. Approaches to hepatitis C testing should be in venues appropriate to the target populations. State funds used for the hepatitis C strategic plan shall not supplant any current state funding directed to HIV prevention, education, and testing activities.