

HB 2520-S - DIGEST

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires, by January 2009, the department of social and health services to create a pilot program to place a full-time domestic violence advocate in a minimum of one office of the division of children and family services in order to provide domestic violence safety planning, advocacy, information, and support to adult victims of domestic violence who are receiving services from the division of children and family services offices, and to increase the capacity of division of children and family services workers to identify and respond effectively to domestic violence in their caseloads.

Requires the Washington state institute for public policy to evaluate the pilot program to determine the outcomes of the program.