

SSB 5394 - H AMD TO WAYS COMM AMD (H-2506.1/11) **569**

By Representative Cody

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1 On page 12, after line 6 of the striking amendment, insert the
2 following:

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4 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. A new section is added to chapter 41.05
5 RCW to read as follows:

6 (1) Effective January 1, 2013, the authority must contract with
7 all of the public employees benefits board managed care plans and
8 the self-insured plan or plans to include provider reimbursement
9 methods that incentivize chronic care management within health homes
10 resulting in reduced emergency department and inpatient use.

11 (2) Health home services contracted for under this section may
12 be prioritized to enrollees with complex, high cost, or multiple
13 chronic conditions.

14 (3) For the purposes of this section, "chronic care management,"
15 and "health home" have the same meaning as in RCW 74.09.010.

16 (4) Contracts with fully insured plans and with any third party
17 administrator for the self-funded plan that include the items in
18 subsection (1) of this section must be funded within the resources
19 provided by employer funding rates provided for employee health
20 benefits in the omnibus appropriations act.

21 (5) Nothing in this section shall require contracted third-party
22 health plans administering the self-insured contract to expend
23 resources to implement items in subsection (1) of this section
24 beyond the resources provided by employer funding rates provided for
25 employee health benefits in the omnibus appropriations act or from
26 other sources in the absence of these provisions.

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1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 7.** A new section is added to chapter 41.05 RCW
2 to read as follows:

3 The authority shall coordinate a discussion with carriers to
4 learn from successful chronic care management models and develop
5 principles for effective reimbursement methods to align incentives
6 in support of patient centered chronic care health homes. The
7 authority shall submit a report to the appropriate committees of the
8 legislature by December 1, 2012 describing the principles developed
9 from the discussion and any steps taken by the public employees
10 benefits board or carriers in Washington State to implement the
11 principles through their payment methodologies."

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EFFECT: Requires the Health Care Authority (HCA) to include health home services incentives in its managed care contracts and self-insured plans. Allows the HCA to prioritize health home services to enrollees with complex, high cost, or multiple chronic conditions.

Directs the HCA to coordinate a discussion with carriers regarding successful chronic care management models and principles for effective reimbursement methods to incentivize chronic care health homes. Requires the HCA to report to the Legislature regarding the principles and actions taken by to implement the principles in state employee health benefits by December 1, 2012.

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