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By Representatives Green, Hinkle, Dickerson, Springer, Goodman, and Moeller

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1 AN ACT Relating to purchase of care in institutions for mental
2 diseases; and amending RCW 74.09.120.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 74.09.120 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 15 s 9 are each amended
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) The department shall purchase nursing home care by contract and
7 payment for the care shall be in accordance with the provisions of
8 chapter 74.46 RCW and rules adopted by the department. No payment
9 shall be made to a nursing home which does not permit inspection by the
10 authority and the department of every part of its premises and an
11 examination of all records, including financial records, methods of
12 administration, general and special dietary programs, the disbursement
13 of drugs and methods of supply, and any other records the authority or
14 the department deems relevant to the regulation of nursing home
15 operations, enforcement of standards for resident care, and payment for
16 nursing home services.

17 (2) The department may purchase nursing home care by contract in
18 veterans' homes operated by the state department of veterans affairs

1 and payment for the care shall be in accordance with the provisions of
2 chapter 74.46 RCW and rules adopted by the department under the
3 authority of RCW 74.46.800.

4 (3) The department may purchase care in institutions for persons
5 with intellectual disabilities, also known as intermediate care
6 facilities for persons with intellectual disabilities. The department
7 shall establish rules for reasonable accounting and reimbursement
8 systems for such care. Institutions for persons with intellectual
9 disabilities include licensed nursing homes, public institutions,
10 licensed boarding homes with fifteen beds or less, and hospital
11 facilities certified as intermediate care facilities for persons with
12 intellectual disabilities under the federal medicaid program to provide
13 health, habilitative, or rehabilitative services and twenty-four hour
14 supervision for persons with intellectual disabilities or related
15 conditions and includes in the program "active treatment" as federally
16 defined.

17 (4) The department may purchase care including, but not limited to,
18 inpatient mental health and inpatient hospital detoxification of acute
19 alcohol or other drug intoxication, in institutions for mental diseases
20 by contract. The department shall establish rules for reasonable
21 accounting and reimbursement systems for such care. Institutions for
22 mental diseases are certified under the federal medicaid program and
23 primarily engaged in providing diagnosis, treatment, or care to persons
24 with mental diseases, including medical attention, nursing care, and
25 related services.

26 (5) Both the department and the authority may each purchase all
27 other services provided under this chapter by contract or at rates
28 established by the department or the authority respectively.

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