

SB 6345-S - DIGEST

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Allows a police officer who has reasonable cause to believe that an individual has committed acts constituting a nonfelony crime that is not a serious offense, and has not committed a possible violation of DUI or physical control laws, and is known by history to suffer from a chemical dependency, to: (1) Take the individual to an approved chemical dependency treatment provider for treatment;

(2) Take the individual to an emergency medical service customarily used for incapacitated persons, if no approved treatment program is readily available;

(3) Refer the individual to a chemical dependency professional for initial detention and proceeding; or

(4) Release the individual upon agreement to voluntary participation in outpatient treatment.

Establishes a pilot program in Snohomish county for the purpose of studying the effect of chemical dependency diversions.

Requires Snohomish county to evaluate the effects of the pilot program and submit a report to the legislature that summarizes the effectiveness of the pilot program.

Expires July 31, 2019.