

SHB 1106 - H AMD 306

By Representative Moeller

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1 On page 46, line 20, increase the general fund--state appropriation
2 for fiscal year 2016 by \$70,000

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4 On page 46, line 21, increase the general fund--state appropriation
5 for fiscal year 2017 by \$212,000

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7 On page 46, line 26, correct the total

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9 On page 51, after line 29, insert the following:

10 "(u) \$70,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal
11 year 2016 and \$212,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for
12 fiscal year 2017 are provided solely to match funds for the
13 establishment of up to three pilot projects to offer respite services
14 to primary caregivers of people with severe mental illness. The pilot
15 projects must be selected from within regional services areas which
16 are early adopters of fully integrated purchasing of medical and
17 behavioral health services under RCW 71.24.380(5). The contracts with
18 the pilot sites must require that fifty percent of the funds come from
19 within base regional support network funding. The respite services
20 must be provided by individuals qualified to meet the needs of the
21 person receiving care, as determined by the department. The respite
22 services may be provided on either a planned or emergent basis and may
23 be provided in the home of the primary caregiver, the home of the
24 person receiving care, or in the facility of a licensed service
25 provider. The department must submit a report on the results of the
26 pilot projects to the governor and the appropriate committees of the
27 legislature by November 15, 2017. The report must summarize findings

1 and any recommendations related to i) the benefits of respite services
2 to primary caregivers and to persons receiving care; ii) the most
3 appropriate use and cost-effectiveness of different care settings;
4 iii) a summary of the cost of the pilot programs and estimated
5 savings; and iv) an estimate of the costs and savings associated with
6 making a caregiver respite program available statewide."

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EFFECT: Provides matching funds in the Department of Social and Health Services Mental Health Program for up to three pilot projects to offer respite services to primary caregivers of people with severe mental illness and establishes criteria for the pilot sites. A report on the results of the pilot projects must be submitted to the governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature by November 15, 2017.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Increases General Fund - State by \$282,000.

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