

HB 2501-S - DIGEST

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/11/16)

Requires the department of social and health services and the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs to establish a work group to study and develop recommendations for methods and procedures for: (1) Local jails to electronically transmit information about confined persons to behavioral health organizations and managed care health systems within twelve hours of confinement;

(2) Behavioral health organizations and managed care health systems to receive information transmitted from a jail about a confined person and determine whether the person is a client; and

(3) Enabling a person's associated health care provider to electronically communicate the person's health care information to the appropriate health care staff at the jail to ensure proper continuity of care for the incarcerated person.