

**HB 2518-S.E - DIGEST**

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

Creates the Washington intergenerational poverty reduction commission to reduce intergenerational poverty.

Creates the intergenerational poverty advisory committee to assist the commission.

Requires the department of social and health services to establish and maintain a system to track intergenerational poverty, which must: (1) Identify groups that have a high risk of experiencing intergenerational poverty;

(2) Identify incidents, patterns, and trends that explain or contribute to intergenerational poverty;

(3) Assist case workers, social scientists, and government officials in the study and development of effective and efficient plans and programs to help individuals and families in the state to break the cycle of poverty; and

(4) Gather and track certain local, state, and national data on poverty.