

SB 5945 - DIGEST

Specifies that, upon receipt of a complaint and investigation thereof, or for other good reason, the office of the attorney general or the department of social and health services has standing to petition the court to modify or terminate a guardianship with regard to incapacitated persons.

Requires the office of the attorney general to investigate a complaint for theft or financial exploitation against an incapacitated person by the appointed guardian.

Requires the department of social and health services to:

- (1) Investigate a complaint, and bring an action to protect a vulnerable adult, where the vulnerable adult is an incapacitated person and the complaint alleges theft or financial exploitation against the incapacitated person by the appointed guardian; and

- (2) Establish an elder justice center at two demonstration sites, one of which must be located in Clark county and the other located in Spokane county.

Creates the crime of theft by a guardian of an incapacitated person's property or services.