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By Representatives Caldier, Kilduff, Dent, Senn, Frame, Doglio, McDonald, Pollet, and Santos

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1 AN ACT Relating to creation of the select committee on supported  
2 employment services for individuals with developmental disabilities;  
3 adding a new section to chapter 71A.12 RCW; and providing an  
4 expiration date.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 71A.12  
7 RCW to read as follows:

8 (1) A select committee on supported employment services for  
9 individuals with developmental disabilities is established, composed  
10 of the following members:

11 (a) Two members of the senate appointed by the president of the  
12 senate from each of the two largest caucuses of the senate;

13 (b) Two members of the house of representatives appointed by the  
14 speaker of the house of representatives from each of the two largest  
15 caucuses of the house of representatives;

16 (c) Four family members of persons with developmental  
17 disabilities of varying acuity levels appointed by the governor;

18 (d) One representative from the governor's office selected by the  
19 governor;

20 (e) The assistant secretary of the developmental disabilities  
21 administration or his or her designee;

1 (f) One developmental disability self-advocate appointed by the  
2 governor; and

3 (g) One representative from the association of county officials.

4 (2) The committee shall have two cochairs of the committee, one  
5 cochair shall be the representative from the governor's office and  
6 the other cochair shall be a legislative member of the committee  
7 elected by the membership of the committee.

8 (3) Meetings of the committee shall be open to the public and  
9 shall provide an opportunity for public comment.

10 (4) Staff support for the committee must be provided by the  
11 governor's office, the office of program research, and senate  
12 committee services.

13 (5) The committee shall hold at least three meetings between July  
14 and October 2018, and produce a report by December 1, 2018, with the  
15 following components:

16 (a) A descriptive review of group and individual supported  
17 employment programs and services, the availability of community  
18 access services, and how individuals navigate entry into community  
19 access services; and

20 (b) Any suggested policy, administrative code, or statute changes  
21 that would allow for better outcomes for recipients of supported  
22 employment or community access services.

23 (6) Legislative members of the committee must be reimbursed for  
24 travel expenses in accordance with RCW 44.04.120. Nonlegislative  
25 members are not entitled to be reimbursed for travel expenses if they  
26 are elected officials or are participating on behalf of an employer,  
27 governmental entity, or other organization. Any reimbursement for  
28 other nonlegislative members is subject to chapter 43.03 RCW.

29 (7) The expenses of the committee must be paid jointly by the  
30 house of representatives and the senate. Committee expenditures are  
31 subject to approval by the senate facilities and operations committee  
32 and the house of representatives executive rules committee, or their  
33 successor committees.

34 (8) This section expires December 30, 2018.

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