
SENATE BILL 6560

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By Senators Darneille, Billig, Frockt, Hunt, Kuderer, Palumbo, and Wellman

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1 AN ACT Relating to ensuring that no youth is discharged from a
2 public system of care into homelessness; and creating a new section.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) In accordance with RCW
5 43.330.700(5)(a), it is the intent of the legislature, that beginning
6 January 1, 2020, any youth discharged from a public system of care in
7 our state has the right to be discharged into safe and stable
8 housing, and that this right is enforceable in the judicial
9 proceeding through which the youth has been committed to the public
10 system of care or in any collateral proceeding that involves the
11 custody of the youth in that system.

12 (2) The office of homeless youth prevention and protection
13 programs must develop a plan to ensure that, by December 31, 2019, no
14 youth is discharged from a public system of care into homelessness.
15 The plan must specify actions that state agencies will need to take,
16 any necessary statutory and funding legislative action, and the
17 assignment of those specific state agency actions to effectuate all
18 parts of the plan. By December 31, 2018, the office of homeless youth
19 prevention and protection programs must issue the plan to the
20 appropriate committees of the legislature and the governor. The

1 governor and the appropriate committees of the legislature must
2 respond to the plan by March 31, 2019.

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