
SENATE BILL 6663

State of Washington

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By Senators Brown, Becker, and Walsh

1 AN ACT Relating to studying dual diagnoses of eating disorder and
2 diabetes mellitus type 1; and creating new sections.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) Research indicates a higher prevalence
5 of eating disorders among people with diabetes, as compared to their
6 peers without diabetes. Eating disorders and disordered eating
7 behaviors, especially insulin omission, are associated with poorer
8 glycemic control and serious risk for increased morbidity and
9 mortality.

10 (2) Given the complexity of diabetes management in combination
11 with eating disorder treatment, the legislature intends to study
12 disordered eating among diabetics in the state to better understand
13 the prevalence of eating disorders among this population and
14 treatment best practices.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** By December 1, 2020, the department of
16 health must provide a report concerning eating disorders associated
17 with individuals with diabetes to the relevant committees of the
18 legislature and make it available on it's web site. The report must
19 address:

- 1 (1) The prevalence of eating disorders associated with diabetes
2 in Washington;
- 3 (2) The risks associated with disordered eating for people with
4 diabetes;
- 5 (3) The insulin usage and omission habits among the affected
6 population;
- 7 (4) The available screening tools for providers; and
- 8 (5) The available treatment options.

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** This act shall be known and may be cited
10 as Alyssa's law.

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