

ESSB 5092 - H AMD TO H AMD (H-1459.2/21) **527**

By Representative Dufault

WITHDRAWN 04/03/2021

1 On page 126, line 3, increase the General Fund-State
2 Appropriation (FY 2022) by \$2,362,000

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4 On page 126, line 4, increase the General Fund-State
5 Appropriation (FY 2023) by \$2,362,000

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7 On page 126, line 5, increase the General Fund-Federal
8 Appropriation by \$8,264,000

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10 On page 126, line 21, correct the total.

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12 On page 148, after line 12, insert the following:

13 "(66) \$2,362,000 of the general fund-state appropriation for
14 fiscal year 2022, \$2,362,000 of the general fund-state appropriation
15 for fiscal year 2023, and \$8,264,000 of the general fund-federal
16 appropriation are provided solely to increase the rates paid to low
17 volume, small rural hospitals that meet the criteria in (a) through
18 (d) of this subsection. Payments for state and federal medical
19 assistance programs for services provided by such a hospital,
20 regardless of the beneficiary's managed care enrollment status, must
21 be increased to one hundred fifty percent of the hospital's fee-for-
22 service rates beginning July 1, 2021. The authority must discontinue
23 this rate increase after June 30, 2023, and return to the payment
24 levels and methodology for these hospitals that were in place as of
25 June 30, 2020. A hospital qualifying for this rate increase must:

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1 (a) Have fewer than seventy available acute beds as reported in
2 the hospital's 2018 department of health year-end report;

3 (b) Not be currently designated as a critical access hospital,
4 and not meet the current federal eligibility requirements for
5 designation as a critical access hospital;

6 (c) Not be a certified public expenditure hospital; and

7 (d) Have combined medicare and medicaid inpatient days greater
8 than eighty percent as reported in the hospital's 2018 cost report."

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10 Renumber the remaining subsections consecutively and correct any
11 internal references accordingly.

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EFFECT: Increases funding for the Health Care Authority to
increase rates for Astria Toppenish Hospital to 150 percent of the
Medicaid fee schedule for FY 2022 and 2023.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Increases General Fund - State by \$4,724,000.

Increases General Fund - Medicaid by \$8,264,000.

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