

**SHB 1323** - S AMD TO HLTC COMM AMD (S-2353.1/21) **633**  
By Senator Fortunato

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1 Beginning on page 6, line 1, strike all of sections 4 and 5

2 Renumber the remaining section consecutively and correct any  
3 internal references accordingly.

4 On page 8, after line 9, insert the following:

5 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 7.** A new section is added to chapter 50B.04  
6 RCW to read as follows:

7 An employee in Washington must elect coverage under RCW  
8 50B.04.080. If an employee has elected coverage under this section,  
9 the employee must also have the option to opt out at any time for any  
10 reason the employee deems necessary. The employment security  
11 department shall adopt rules to implement this section.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 8.** The following acts or parts of acts are  
13 each repealed:

14 (1) RCW 50B.04.085 (Premium assessment—Exemptions) and 2020 c 98  
15 s 7; and

16 (2) RCW 50B.04.090 (Election of coverage—Self-employed persons)  
17 and 2020 c 98 s 5 & 2019 c 363 s 10."

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18 On page 8, beginning on line 12, after "50B.04.020," strike all  
19 material through "RCW" on line 13 and insert "and 50B.04.050; adding  
20 new sections to chapter 50B.04 RCW; and repealing RCW 50B.04.085 and  
21 50B.04.090"

EFFECT: Repeals the long-term care insurance opt-out law and the self-employed opt-in law. Requires an employee to have the option to opt-in to the program and allows an employee to opt-out of the

program at any time and for any reason it deems necessary. Directs ESD to adopt rules to implement the employee opt-in and opt-out.

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