

ESSB 5599 - H AMD TO HSEL COMM AMD (H-1742.1/23) **692**

By Representative Rule

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1 On page 2, line 37 of the striking amendment, after "(3)" insert
2 "(a)"

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4 On page 2, after line 40 of the striking amendment, insert the
5 following:

6 "(b) When the department receives a report under subsection (1) of
7 this section for a minor who is seeking or receiving protected health
8 care services, it shall:

9 (i) Offer to make referrals on behalf of the minor for appropriate
10 behavioral health services; and

11 (ii) Offer services designed to resolve the conflict and
12 accomplish a reunification of the family."

EFFECT: Requires that the Department of Children, Youth, and Families do the following after receiving a report from an overnight youth shelter or other licensed organization that provides services to homeless youth that a minor child who is seeking or receiving gender-affirming treatment or reproductive health care services is being served by the shelter or organization without parental permission:

(1) Offer to make referrals on behalf of the minor for appropriate behavioral health services; and

(2) Offer services designed to resolve the conflict and accomplish a reunification of the family.

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