
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5672

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By Senate Health & Long Term Care (originally sponsored by Senators Cleveland, O'Ban, Walsh, Wellman, Darneille, Dhingra, Hunt, Keiser, Frockt, Kuderer, Nguyen, and Saldaña)

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1 AN ACT Relating to adult family home specialty services; and
2 adding a new section to chapter 70.128 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 70.128
5 RCW to read as follows:

6 (1) The developmental disabilities administration within the
7 department shall work with stakeholders to design and implement
8 services for individuals living in adult family homes who have a
9 primary need of care related to a developmental or intellectual
10 disability. These services must be designed to meet the specific
11 provisions related to the assessment, environment, regulations,
12 provision of care, and training requirements. These services must be
13 designed to support an intentional environment to improve resident
14 quality of life, increase resident length of stay, clarify
15 regulations, streamline training requirements, reduce the need for
16 institutional settings, and attract more adult family home providers
17 to develop such highly needed resources. The recommendations for
18 these services must be completed by June 1, 2020, for consideration
19 and implementation in the 2021-2023 biennium.

20 (2) The aging and long-term support administration within the
21 department shall work with stakeholders to design and implement

1 proposed services for individuals living in adult family homes that
2 are dedicated solely to the care of individuals with dementia,
3 including Alzheimer's disease. These services must be designed to
4 include specific provisions related to the assessment, environment,
5 regulations, provision of care, and training requirements. These
6 services must be designed to support an intentional environment to
7 improve resident quality of life, increase resident length of stay,
8 clarify regulations, streamline training requirements, reduce the
9 need for institutional settings, and attract more adult family home
10 providers to develop such highly needed resources. The
11 recommendations for these services must be completed by June 1, 2020,
12 for consideration and implementation in the 2021-2023 biennium.

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