


2017 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES BILLS OF INTEREST - Revised 4/6/17

Bill #	Title	Description	Sponsor	Status	Sched	Position
EMPLOYMENT						
2SB 5201	Community access & employment	DDA clients must have access to 20 hours a week of both community access & employment services	Sen O'Ban	H Floor (Senate budget)	2nd Reading	Under Review
EDUCATION						
HB 1115 (SB 5070)	Paraeducators	Setting employment standards for paraeducators to get a paraeducator associate of arts degree	Rep Bergquist	S Floor (House budget)	2nd Reading	Under Review
SB 5070 (HB 1115)	Paraeducators	Setting employment standards for paraeducators to get a paraeducator associate of arts degree	Sen Rivers	H Rules (Senate budget)	2 Review	 
SHB 1719	Early Learning (DEL request)	Update early learning advising and contracting, add DD representative to Early Learning Advisory Council	Rep Lovick	Passed House and Senate		 
SHB 2037	Higher education obstacles	Reconvene workgroup to look at obstacles for people with disabilities in higher education	Rep Frame	S Floor	2nd Reading	 
MEDICAL/MEDICAID						
SHB 1671	Activities of Daily Living (ADL)	Expands definition of ADLs to include medication assistance (DSHS request)	Rep Cody	Passed House and Senate	2nd Reading	 
SB 5118	Personal needs allowance	Provide increases to personal needs allowance for Medicaid eligible elderly & people w/disabilities	Sen Rolfes	Passed House and Senate		 
SB 5867	Consumer directed waiver	Allow family members to provide personal care in a new consumer-directed medicaid service program	Sen Braun	S Floor (Senate budget)	2nd Reading	Under Review
TRAINING						
HB 1322	Respite providers	Reduce training hours for respite provider caring for a person with DD & working less than 300 hrs a year	Rep Kilduff	Passed House and Senate		 
SHB 1258	People w/disabilities at an accident	Design statewide training for first responders & 911 personnel, assess 911 system to add disability info	Rep McCabe	Passed House and Senate		 
SB 5177	LTC worker training	Require long term care workers to be trained to recognize hearing loss	Sen Bailey	Passed House and Senate		 
TRANSPORTATION						
HB 1262	Accessible parking	Van accessible spaces must have at least 96" access aisle with a sign prohibiting parking there	Rep McBride	Passed House and Senate		 
HB 1515	Special parking privileges	Doctor must write authorization on prescription pad, office letterhead or electronically	Rep Graves	Passed House and Senate		 
SSB 5018	Wheelchair accessible taxicabs	Allow wheelchair accessible taxicabs to access to high occupancy vehicle lanes	Sen Hasegawa	Passed House and Senate		 

HB 2003	Special parking privileges for taxis	Allow special parking privileges for organizations that dispatch taxicabs for persons with disabilities	Rep Kloba	Passed House and Senate		Under Review
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PROTECTIONS

SB 5294	DOC ombuds	Creates the Office of Corrections Ombuds	Sen Padden	H Floor	2nd Reading	
SHB 1153	Protection of vulnerable people	Increase penalties for financial exploitation and financial abuse of vulnerable people (AG request)	Rep Goodman	Passed House and Senate		
SHB 1477	Information disclosure	Disclosure of health-related info to persons with close relationship with a patient w/o permission	Rep Jinkins	S Floor	2nd Reading	Under Review
HB 1676	Service dogs in training	Includes service dogs in training to the state regarding crimes against service dogs	Rep Sullivan	Passed House and Senate		
SB 5399	Background checks	Designates if you use federal, state or independent background check for access to people w/DD	Sen O'Ban	H Rules	2 Review	Under Review

GUARDIANSHIP

HB 1401	Guardian ad litem	Removal for making a false statement under oath, match child with special needs with trained GAL	Rep Ortiz-Self	Passed House and Senate		
HB 1402	Guardian isolation	Guardian cannot restrict contact for an individual from others without good cause and court approval	Rep Jinkins	S Floor (House budget)	2nd Reading	
2SSB 5577	Guardian communication	Person unable to consent, guardian rules to ask opinion, historical preference, no isolation	Sen Conway	H Floor (Senate budget)	2nd Reading	
SB 5691	Changing a guardianship	Court may modify or terminate guardianship if less restrictive option is better	Sen Bailey	Passed House and Senate		

OTHER

SB 5594	Transition from RHC	Transition plans for those wanting to move, remodel Fircrest for nursing facility, 8 crisis beds	Sen Keiser	S Floor (Senate budget)	2nd Reading	
SB 5646	Yakima Valley RHC	Keep Yakima Valley open for crisis stabilization & respite; continue to develop community respite	Sen Honeyford	Passed Senate		
HB 5490	RHC resident's estate	DSHS must determine if an RHC resident's estate is able to pay all or part of the RHC costs, then serve notice	Sen O'Ban	H Floor	2nd Reading	Under Review

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S = Senate, H = House of Representatives, WS = Work Session, PH = Public Hearing, Exec = Executive Session

2nd Reading = Eligible for a Floor vote, "X" file = Returned to Rules as dead, NTIB = Necessary To Implement the Budget

Cut-off dates: 1st Policy cut-off Feb 17th (except fiscal & Transportation committees); 1st fiscal committee cut-off Feb 24th; House of Origin Mar 8th; 2nd Policy cut-off Mar 29th (except fiscal & Transportation committees); 2nd fiscal committee cut-off Apr 4th; Opposite House Apr 12th (except initiatives and alternatives to initiatives, budgets and matters necessary to implement budgets, differences between the houses, and matters incident to the interim and closing of the session).