
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5586

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By Senate Human Services, Reentry & Rehabilitation (originally sponsored by Senators Darneille, Rivers, Hasegawa, Fortunato, Hunt, Wilson, C., Takko, Rolfes, Schoesler, Warnick, Honeyford, Walsh, Wilson, L., Zeiger, Sheldon, McCoy, Lias, Keiser, Kuderer, Nguyen, and Saldaña)

1 AN ACT Relating to traumatic brain injury screenings for children
2 entering the foster care system; adding a new section to chapter
3 70.250 RCW; and providing an expiration date.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 70.250
6 RCW to read as follows:

7 (1) In order to improve health outcomes for children placed in
8 out-of-home placement pursuant to chapter 13.34 RCW, the
9 collaborative shall evaluate the most effective and beneficial way to
10 screen children placed in out-of-home care for traumatic brain
11 injuries.

12 (2) By December 1, 2020, and in compliance with RCW 43.01.036,
13 the collaborative shall report, at a minimum, the following
14 information to the governor and the legislature:

15 (a) The most effective way to screen children entering foster
16 care for traumatic brain injury; and

17 (b) Recommendations as to when the screenings should occur, who
18 should conduct the screenings, and what screening tools should be
19 used to conduct the screenings.

1 (3) This section expires December 31, 2020.

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