
SENATE BILL 5281

State of Washington

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By Senators Lias, Bailey, Hobbs, Wagoner, McCoy, Kuderer, Palumbo, Warnick, and Salomon

1 AN ACT Relating to calculating the benchmark rate for certain
2 community residential services; adding a new section to chapter
3 71A.12 RCW; and creating a new section.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 71A.12
6 RCW to read as follows:

7 (1) The department must use the King county classification for
8 the purposes of determining the benchmark rate in Snohomish county
9 for community residential service businesses as defined in RCW
10 74.39A.009(5).

11 (2) For purposes of this section, "benchmark rate" means the rate
12 at which direct care staff hours are paid, specific to a county
13 classification.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** If specific funding for the purposes of
15 this act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not
16 provided by June 30, 2019, in the omnibus appropriations act, this
17 act is null and void.

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