

RCW 35.82.285 Group homes or halfway houses for released juveniles or individuals with developmental disabilities. Housing authorities created under this chapter may establish and operate group homes or halfway houses to serve juveniles released from state juvenile or correctional institutions, or to serve individuals with developmental disabilities as defined in RCW 71A.10.020. Authorities may contract for the operation of facilities so established, with qualified nonprofit organizations as agent of the authority. Authorities may provide support or supportive services in facilities serving juveniles, individuals with developmental disabilities or other persons under a disability, and the frail elderly, whether or not they are operated by the authority.

Action under this section shall be taken by the authority only after a public hearing as provided by chapter 42.30 RCW. In exercising this power the authority shall not be empowered to acquire property by eminent domain, and the facilities established shall comply with all zoning, building, fire, and health regulations and procedures applicable in the locality. [2025 c 58 s 2015; 1991 c 167 s 3; 1973 1st ex.s. c 198 s 2.]

Explanatory note—2025 c 58: See note following RCW 1.16.050.

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