AN ACT Relating to revenue and taxation; and amending section 84.36.070, chapter 15, Laws of 1961 and RCW 84.36.070.

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

Section 1. Section 84.36.070, chapter 15, Laws of 1961 and RCW 84.36.070 are each amended to read as follows:

The following intangible property shall be exempt from ad valorem taxation: All moneys and credits including mortgages, notes, accounts, certificates of deposit, tax certificates, judgments, state, county and municipal bonds and warrants and bonds and warrants of other taxing districts, bonds of the United States and of foreign countries or political subdivisions thereof and the bonds, stocks or shares of private corporations (shall be and hereby are exempted from ad valorem taxation), private nongovernmental personal service contracts or private nongovernmental athletic or sports franchises or private nongovernmental athletic or sports agreements provided that such contracts, franchises or agreements do not pertain to the use or possession of tangible personal or real property or to any interest in tangible personal or real property.

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CHAPTER 119
[Second Substitute House Bill No. 1077]
INSURANCE AND HEALTH CARE—ALCOHOLISM TREATMENT COVERAGE

AN ACT Relating to insurance and health care services; adding new sections to chapter 48.21 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 48.44 RCW; and making an effective date.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. The legislature recognizes that alcoholism is a disease and, as such, warrants the same attention from the health care industry as other similarly serious diseases warrant; the legislature further recognizes that only very infrequently do health insurance contracts and contracts for health care services include provisions providing benefits for the treatment of alcoholism. In order to assist the many citizens of this state
who suffer from the disease of alcoholism, and who are presently effectively precluded from obtaining any medical assistance under the terms of their health insurance contract or health care service contract, the legislature hereby declares that provisions providing benefits for the treatment of alcoholism shall be included in new contracts and that this 1974 act is necessary for the protection of the public health and safety.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. There is added to chapter 48.21 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Each group disability insurance contract which is issued, or renewed, on or after July 1, 1974 and before January 1, 1975 and which insures for hospital or medical care shall contain provisions providing benefits for the treatment of alcoholism rendered to the insured by alcoholism treatment facilities approved under RCW 70.96.092 and for the treatment of alcoholism rendered to the insured by an alcoholic treatment facility which is an "approved treatment facility" under RCW 70.96A.020 (2).

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. There is added to chapter 48.21 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Each group disability insurance contract which is issued, or renewed, on or after January 1, 1975 and which insures for hospital or medical care shall contain provisions providing benefits for the treatment of alcoholism rendered to the insured by an alcoholic treatment facility which is an "approved treatment facility" under RCW 70.96A.020 (2).

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. There is added to chapter 48.44 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Each contract for health care services which is entered into, or renewed, on or after January 1, 1975 between a health care service contractor and the person or persons to receive such care shall contain provisions providing benefits for the treatment of alcoholism rendered to such person or persons by an alcoholic treatment facility which is an "approved treatment facility" under RCW 70.96A.020 (2).

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. This act shall not apply to the renewal of a contract in force prior to the pertinent date provided for such contract under this act where there exists a right of renewal without any change in any provision of the contract.

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