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Subject: RE: DD Task Force

From Senator King:

1. Change the current law so that the sale of current RHC properties, including Francis Haddon Morgan Center, would go into the Dan Thompson trust.
2. Close Rainier over the next several years (a minimum of four years).
3. Re-open Yakima Valley School to admittance.
4. Make Fircrest, Yakima Valley School & Lakeland centers of excellence expanding their health care, dental, physical therapies and respite capabilities.
5. Work to provide DD people in the communities access to care at all RHCs.
6. The state will look at establishing a medical, dental, mental, physical therapy facility with crisis team respite in the Longview/Vancouver area. (This could be done by partnering with an existing nursing home, hospital or clinic.)
7. Upgrade the existing cottages at Fircrest, Yakima Valley School and Lakeland to better utilize their facilities and services.
8. Develop a plan for the creation of group homes and their oversight by DSHS to assure the quality of care given is consistent with that in an RHC.
9. Give parents/guardians a true option to place their ward into an RHC if they so choose.
10. Allow a trial program in unused facilities at Yakima Valley School for the treatment and housing of low level mental health patients rather than treating them at Eastern State Hospital. If successful, this program could be established at the unused facilities at Francis Haddon Morgan Center. Income from rental and/or savings from this program would be used for DD programs and patients.