

services to persons who are not otherwise patients at such nursing home. Any certified nursing home offering out-patient services may receive payments from the federal Medicare program for such services as are permissible under that program.

Out-patient services may include any health or social care needs, except surgery, that could feasibly be offered on an out-patient basis.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. There is added to chapter 117, Laws of 1951 and to chapter 18.51 RCW a new section to read as follows:

The department of social and health services shall assist the nursing home industry in researching the costs of out-patient services allowed under section 1 of this 1973 act. Such cost studies shall be utilized by the department in the determination of reasonable vendor rates for nursing homes offering such services to insure an adequate return to the nursing homes and a cost savings to the state as compared to the cost of institutionalization.

Passed the House April 4, 1973.

Passed the Senate April 11, 1973.

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CHAPTER 72

[House Bill No. 957]

LAND PLANNING COMMISSION--

DISSOLUTION EXTENDED

AN ACT Relating to the state land planning commission; amending section 9, chapter 287, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 43.120.920; and declaring an emergency.

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

Section 1. Section 9, chapter 287, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. and RCW 43.120.920 are each amended to read as follows:

The commission shall be dissolved ((upon the termination of the forty-third regular session of the legislature, unless said legislature determines otherwise)) on May 15, 1973.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. This 1973 amendatory act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

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