

(5) Information bulletins and workshops for school districts and educational service districts;

(6) Contracting with educational service districts or other organizations for billing services or for other assistance in implementing the process established under this section;

(7) Formal agreements between the department and the superintendent of public instruction for notification of payments and for interagency reimbursement under section 2 of this act; and

(8) Review and approval of the plan by the office of financial management prior to submission to the legislature of the report under section 5 of this act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. Prior to January 15, 1990, the superintendent of public instruction and the department of social and health services shall submit a joint report to the appropriations committee of the house of representatives and the ways and means committee of the senate on the agencies' progress in developing the medical assistance billing system for school districts established under this act.

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CHAPTER 401

[House Bill No. 2054]

INVOLUNTARY COMMITTED PERSONS—TEMPORARY RELEASE—NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

AN ACT Relating to notification of the release of dangerous persons committed under the involuntary treatment act; amending RCW 71.05.325; and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Sec. 1. Section 2, chapter 67, Laws of 1986 and RCW 71.05.325 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Before a person committed under grounds set forth in RCW 71.05.280(3) is released from involuntary treatment because a new petition for involuntary treatment has not been filed under RCW 71.05.320(2), the superintendent, professional person, or designated mental health professional responsible for the decision whether to file a new petition shall in writing notify the prosecuting attorney of the county in which the criminal charges against the committed person were dismissed, of the decision not to file a new petition for involuntary treatment. Notice shall be provided at least thirty days before the period of commitment expires.

(2)(a) Before a person committed under grounds set forth in RCW 71.05.280(3) is permitted temporarily to leave a treatment facility pursuant

to RCW 71.05.270 for any period of time without constant accompaniment by facility staff, the superintendent, professional person in charge of a treatment facility, or his or her professional designee shall in writing notify the prosecuting attorney of any county to which the person is to be released and the prosecuting attorney of the county in which the criminal charges against the committed person were dismissed, of the decision conditionally to release the person. The notice shall be provided at least thirty days before the anticipated release and shall describe the conditions under which the release is to occur.

(b) The provisions of RCW 71.05.330(2) apply to proposed temporary releases, and either or both prosecuting attorneys receiving notice under this subsection may petition the court under RCW 71.05.330(2).

(3) Nothing in this section shall be construed to authorize detention of a person unless a valid order of commitment is in effect.

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

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CHAPTER 402

[House Bill No. 2118]

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEACHER CERTIFICATION FOR GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH EIGHT

AN ACT Relating to the expansion of coverage from grade six to grade eight of certification for candidates for grades preschool through grade six certificates; amending RCW 28A.70.040; and creating a new section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Sec. 1. Section 212, chapter 525, Laws of 1987 and RCW 28A.70.040 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The state board of education shall adopt rules providing that all individuals qualifying for an initial-level teaching certificate after August 31, 1992, shall possess a baccalaureate degree in the arts, sciences, and/or humanities and have fulfilled the requirements for teacher certification pursuant to RCW 28A.04.120 (1) and (2). However, candidates for grades preschool through ~~((six))~~ eight certificates shall have fulfilled the requirements for a major as part of their baccalaureate degree. If the major is in early childhood education, elementary education, or special education, the candidate must have at least thirty quarter hours or twenty semester hours in one academic field.