

SSB 5950 - S AMD 719
By Senator Gildon

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1 On page 259, line 12, after "(10)" insert "(a)"

2 On page 259, beginning on line 13, after "2025" strike all
3 material through "lapse" on line 16 and insert "is provided solely
4 for the department to conduct a feasibility study regarding a
5 resource data tool for the purpose of digitally connecting members of
6 the public to state services in consultation with the advisory group
7 created in (b) of this subsection. The feasibility study shall
8 include recommendations for a mobile application and considerations
9 for language access, alternative communication options, and equitable
10 access for individuals living with disabilities. In making
11 recommendations, the study shall include an examination of other
12 available digital public resource.

13 (b) The department shall convene an advisory group for the
14 purposes of participating in the decision-making process regarding
15 the feasibility study directed in this subsection. The advisory group
16 shall be composed of representatives from state agencies and the
17 community in the area of system referral and resource navigation, and
18 individuals with lived experience receiving public benefits. At a
19 minimum, the department shall invite representatives from:

20 (i) Washington information network 211;

21 (ii) The state 911 coordination office established in the
22 emergency management division of the state military department;

23 (iii) The department of health and the health care authority
24 involved in the statewide 988 behavioral health crisis response and
25 suicide prevention line;

26 (iv) WithinReach;

27 (v) Community living connections;

28 (vi) First five fundamentals;

29 (vii) Washington communities for children;

30 (viii) Washington resource data collaborative;

31 (ix) Help me grow; and

32 (x) Accountable communities of health.

1 (c) The advisory group shall inform and, upon a majority vote,
2 approve the feasibility study. At a minimum, the feasibility study
3 must include a plan and framework for launching the resource data
4 tool, a web portal, and a mobile application. The department shall
5 submit the approved study to the office of the governor and
6 appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2024."

EFFECT: Directs the Department of Social and Health Services to conduct a feasibility study for a resource data tool in consultation with an advisory group created in this subsection.

EXPENDITURE EFFECT (2023-2025): \$0 Near General Fund—State/\$0
Total Funds

FOUR-YEAR OUTLOOK EXPENDITURE EFFECT: \$0 Near General Fund—State

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