

## HB2 Intent Language to study the management of the DSPD waiting list

The Legislature intends that the Department of Human Services, in conjunction with the Departments of Health and Workforce Services as needed, study and report on effective management strategies for the Division of Services for People with Disabilities (DSPD) waiting list. The result of the study shall be reported to the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst no later than October 1, 2018. The report shall include:

- (1) identification of barriers to access for needed services;
- (2) identification of needs to better understand the demand for those services and how the need can be met by private contract providers and state agencies;
- (3) a description of how to maximize federal matching funds and other funding sources that may be available;
- (4) a report on the number of people needing various types of services including an estimate of the number of people who need services but are not currently on the waiting list;
- (5) an estimate of the number of people who would become eligible to be on the waiting list each year for the next ten years;
- (6) a proposal for ways to target available funds to the most beneficial services and how providing limited benefits to some people could allow more people to be served;
- (7) limitations that need to be considered, such as federal requirements, noting areas where waiver authority could be reasonably requested and granted;
- (8) steps that could be taken to make sure that only those who truly need government support are determined to be eligible;
- (9) a projection of costs associated with providing services to individuals identified in the study;
- (10) a discussion of innovative and creative ways that private partners and charities could work with the program to meet those needs; and
- (11) any other considerations related to effective management strategies for the DSPD waiting list.