



Health Impact Review Request Form

Date of request: 01 / 22 / 2019

Requester: Senator Lynda Wilson

Note: Health impact reviews may only be requested by the Governor or a legislator.

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What is the subject of the Health Impact Review?

Bill Number: 5428 Title: Concerning veterans' mental health services at institutions of higher education

Bill Draft Draft Number: _____

Decision Package *If possible, please attach a copy of the relevant portion/aspect of what you are*

Budget Proposal *requesting to be reviewed.*

Other: _____

Should the Health Impact Review analyze the entire proposal or only a portion?

Entire

Portion

If only a portion, please describe what portion(s) the review should analyze.

Requested completion date: 01 / 30 / 2019

If requesting less than a ten-day turnaround during session or less than a 60-day turnaround during the interim, please explain the reasons for the request (for example, needing a review completed in time for a committee hearing).

This Health Impact Review is an update to a previous review on this topic. Analysts will update the review to reflect the bill information for SB 5428 and will incorporate any additional literature published since the previous review. A hearing may be scheduled as early as Wednesday, January 22, and analysts will complete the review in time for the hearing.

Please consider completing the optional section on the back of this form, which will give the Board a sense of why this review has been requested.

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~ Optional ~

Please consider completing this optional section, which will give the Board a sense of why this review has been requested.

NOTE: When conducting a health impact review, the Washington State Board of Health will consider various ways that a proposal might exacerbate or ameliorate health disparities. Completing this section will give the Board a head start by helping it understand the reasons why a review is being requested.

Briefly describe how you think the proposal might impact health disparities and whether you believe the impact will be in a positive or negative direction.

The previous HIR on this topic found that the provisions in the bill have the potential to increase access to and use of mental health services at institutions of higher education for student, faculty, and staff veterans, as well as their spouses and dependents which in turn has the potential to improve mental health outcomes and decrease mental health disparities. Analysts do not anticipate these findings will change as a result of this update.

Are there specific organizations or community groups you would like the Board to contact as part of this review if time allows?

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