Bill Request: Concerning Behavioral Health Organizations

An Act relating to Behavioral Health Organizations and adding new sections to chapter 71.24 RCW.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF STATE OF WASHINGTON:

(1) To meet the evolving need and increased demand for a peer support workforce Behavioral Health Organizations (BHO's) or their designee shall increase peer support services and peer support specialists.

(2) BHO's shall provide increased training, employment and adequate compensation of Certified Peer Specialists. BHO's shall increase the number of state funded clubhouses.

(3) BHO's shall request that buildings on state-owned land at Western & Eastern state Hospitals be refit to support peer support operations such as resource centers.

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