

END OF LIFE CARE

Senate Bill 660 (Substitute H-1)
Sponsor: Sen. Shirley Johnson

Senate Bill 661 as passed by the Senate
Sponsor: Sen. Mike Goschka

Senate Bill 662 as passed by the Senate
Sponsor: Dale L. Shugars

Addendum to SFA Analysis (12-12-01)

Senate Committee: Health Policy
House Committee: Health Policy

**ADDENDUM TO SENATE FISCAL AGENCY ANALYSIS OF SENATE BILLS 660 - 662
AND 664 DATED 12-3-01:**

HOUSE COMMITTEE ACTION:

The Committee on Health Policy adopted a substitute bill for Senate Bill 660 to bring the bill into conformity with language in the House-passed version of House Bill 5260. The committee reported Senate Bills 661 and 662 as passed by the Senate, which would make identical changes to those proposed by House Bills 5265 and 5264, as passed by the House. (Senate Bill 664 remains under consideration by the committee at this time.)

The House substitute for Senate Bill 660 would eliminate a section from the bill that proposed changing the requirement that certain health professionals serving on the Advisory Committee on Pain and Symptom Management have training in “intractable” pain to a requirement that they have training in pain and symptom management. The House substitute would also require that the Department of Consumer and Industry Services develop, publish, and distribute an informational book on pain, rather than a book on pain and symptom management, as proposed by the Senate-passed version, or a book on “intractable” pain, as in current law. Finally, the House substitute would eliminate the bill’s references to the “official prescription program” and would add a statement that the legislature intended—in addition to permitting and facilitating adequate pain treatment—to enable regulatory and law enforcement agencies to prevent the abuse and diversion of controlled substances by creating an electronic monitoring system. For a fuller explanation of these provisions, see the House Legislative Analysis section’s analysis of House Bills 5148 and 5255-5266 dated 11-16-01.

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