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SEX OFFENDER POLICY BOARD

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## SB 5163 Workgroup Meeting

October 4, 2021 | 10:30 am - noon

**Zoom login information:** [Meeting Link](#) | Meeting ID: 816 2731 0018 | Passcode: 274418 | Dial-in option: 253-215-8782

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10:30 – 10:35	Call to Order and Introductions	Shoshana Kehoe-Ehlers
10:35 – 10:40	Meeting Objectives	Whitney Hunt
10:40 – 11:20	Refine Proposed Recommendations	All Members
11:20 – 11:25	BREAK	
11:25 – 11:40	Refine Proposed Recommendations, continued	All Members
11:40 – 11:50	Next Steps <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Identify volunteers to write rationale and findings of fact</li><li>Last meeting:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>October 7<sup>th</sup> from 1 pm – 2:30 pm</li></ul></li></ul>	Megan Schoor
11:50 – 12:00	For the Good of the Order	Whitney Hunt
12:00	Adjournment	Whitney Hunt

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## **SB 5163 Workgroup Assignment:**

NEW SECTION. Sec. 13. A new section is added to chapter 71.09 RCW to read as follows:

(1) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, the department, the sex offender policy board, and department of health shall convene a work group to develop recommendations to increase the availability and quality of sex offender treatment providers to meet the growing number of persons qualifying for conditional release to a less restrictive alternative. The work group shall gather data on...

1. best practices in other states and make recommendations whether sex offender treatment providers should be required to contract with the department;
2. whether annual or biannual trainings by the department should be mandatory for prospective and existing sex offender treatment providers;
3. whether the department should provide competitive wages for services or pay that is commensurate with the years of experience or education level of the treatment provider; and
4. whether the department should provide other incentives such as a cost-of-living pay increase or compensating providers for the cost of mandated trainings associated with the sex offender treatment provider license under chapter [18.155 RCW](#).

A report shall be submitted to the legislature by **December 1, 2021**.

[Subcommittee of the SOPB in partnership with DOH and the Special Commitment Center]