## **SB 5673** - H AMD **488**

By Representative Moeller

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1 On page 2, line 3, after "organizations" insert "except as 2 provided in subsection (7)(a) of this section" 3 4 On page 2, line 7, after "organizations" insert "except as 5 provided in subsection (7)(b) of this section" 6 7 On page 4, after line 15, insert the following: 8 "(7)(a) The requirement that a health maintenance organization 9 obtain a certificate of need under subsection (4)(a) of this section 10 for the construction, development, or other establishment of a 11 hospital does not apply to a health maintenance organization operating 12 a group practice that has been continuously licensed as a health 13 maintenance organization since January 1, 2009; 14 (b) The requirement that a health maintenance organization obtain 15 a certificate of need under subsection (4)(b) of this section to sell, 16 purchase, or lease a hospital does not apply to a health maintenance 17 organization operating a group practice that has been continuously 18 licensed as a health maintenance organization since January 1, 2009." 19 20 On page 6, line 32, after "section" insert "or RCW 70.38.105(7)" 21

**EFFECT:** Exempts a health maintenance organization from obtaining a certificate of need prior to the construction, development, establishment, sale, purchase, or lease of a hospital if the health maintenance organization operates a group practice that has been continuously licensed as a health maintenance organization since January 1, 2009.

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