Health Care & Wellness Committee

HB 1609

Brief Description: Renaming the board of pharmacy.

Sponsors: Representatives Schmick, Cody and Ryu.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Adds new members to the Board of Pharmacy.
- Renames the Board of Pharmacy.

Hearing Date: 2/14/13

Staff: Jim Morishima (786-7191).

Background:

The Board of Pharmacy has a variety of functions, including the licensing of pharmacies, pharmacists, pharmacy assistants, and pharmacy technicians and enforcing and regulating legend drugs and controlled substances. The Board of Pharmacy consists of seven members, five of whom must be licensed pharmacists and two of whom must be members of the public.

Summary of Bill:

The Board of Pharmacy is renamed the "Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission."

The following members are added to the Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission: five members who must be licensed pharmacists, two members who must be members of the public, and one member who must be a licensed pharmacy technician.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

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Effective Date: This bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed, except for section 45, relating to changing the name of the Board of Pharmacy in the Uniform Disciplinary Act, which takes effect July 1, 2016.