
SENATE BILL 5429

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By Senator Haugen; by request of Insurance Commissioner

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1 AN ACT Relating to authorizing the insurance commissioner to
2 designate a deputy to act on behalf of the commissioner; and amending
3 RCW 70.37.030.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 70.37.030 and 1989 1st ex.s. c 9 s 261 are each
6 amended to read as follows:

7 There is hereby established a public body corporate and politic,
8 with perpetual corporate succession, to be known as the Washington
9 health care facilities authority. The authority shall constitute a
10 political subdivision of the state established as an instrumentality
11 exercising essential governmental functions. The authority is a
12 "public body" within the meaning of RCW 39.53.010, as now or hereafter
13 amended. The authority shall consist of the governor who shall serve
14 as chairman, the lieutenant governor, the insurance commissioner, the
15 secretary of health, and one member of the public who shall be
16 appointed by the governor, subject to confirmation by the senate, on
17 the basis of the member's interest or expertise in health care
18 delivery, for a term expiring on the fourth anniversary of the date of
19 appointment. In the event that any of the offices referred to shall be

1 abolished the resulting vacancy on the authority shall be filled by the
2 officer who shall succeed substantially to the powers and duties
3 thereof. The members of the authority shall be compensated in
4 accordance with RCW 43.03.240 and shall be entitled to reimbursement,
5 solely from the funds of the authority, for travel expenses incurred in
6 the discharge of their duties under this chapter, subject to the
7 provisions of RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060. A majority shall constitute
8 a quorum.

9 The governor may designate an employee of governor's office to act
10 on behalf of the governor during the absence of the governor at one or
11 more of the meetings of the authority. The insurance commissioner may
12 designate a deputy insurance commissioner to act on behalf of the
13 insurance commissioner during the absence of the insurance commissioner
14 at one or more of the meetings of the authority. The vote of the
15 designee shall have the same effect as if cast by the governor or
16 insurance commissioner if the designation is in writing and is
17 presented to the person presiding at the meetings included within the
18 designation.

19 The governor may designate a member to preside during the
20 governor's absence.

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