

HOUSE BILL REPORT

HB 1069

As Passed House:

February 20, 2001

Title: An act relating to the health professions' use of pro tem board members.

Brief Description: Modifying the health professions' appointment of pro tem members.

Sponsors: Representatives Campbell, Cody and Edwards; by request of Department of Health.

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

Health Care: 1/23/01 [DP].

Floor Activity:

Passed House: 2/20/01, 97-0.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Allows the Secretary of Health to appoint any number of pro tem members to a health professions board or commission.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 13 members. Representatives Campbell, Republican Co-Chair; Cody, Democratic Co-Chair; Schual-Berke, Democratic Vice Chair; Alexander, Ballasiotes, Conway, Darneille, Edmonds, Edwards, Marine, McMorris, Pennington and Ruderman.

Staff: John Welsh (786-7133).

Background:

The Secretary of Health is authorized by law to appoint up to three pro tem (pro tempore or temporary) members to a health professions board or commission with licensing and disciplinary responsibilities. Pro tem members have all the powers and privileges of regularly appointed members, and sit on charging and disciplinary committees to assist in the investigation and adjudicative process.

Summary of Bill:

The Secretary may appoint an unlimited number of pro tem members to panels of a health professions board or commission. The maximum limit of three pro tem members serving on a board or commission is repealed.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not Requested.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Testimony For: This is a Department of Health request bill. It gives the Secretary of Health more flexibility in adding enough temporary board members to professional boards and commissions to cope with their licensing and disciplining responsibilities.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: (Pro) Sue Shoblom, Department of Health.