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SENATE BILL 5099

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By Senators Winsley and Thibaudeau

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1 AN ACT Relating to the designation of licensed medical  
2 directors by carriers offering dental only coverage; and amending  
3 RCW 48.43.540.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 48.43.540 and 2000 c 5 s 13 are each amended to read  
6 as follows:

7 Any carrier that offers a health plan and any self-insured  
8 health plan subject to the jurisdiction of Washington state shall  
9 designate a medical director who is licensed under chapter 18.57  
10 or 18.71 RCW. However, a naturopathic or complementary alternative  
11 health plan, which provides solely complementary alternative  
12 health care to individuals, groups, or health plans, may have a  
13 medical director licensed under chapter 18.36A RCW. A carrier that  
14 offers dental only coverage shall designate a medical director who  
15 is licensed under chapter 18.32 RCW. A health plan or self-  
16 insured health plan that offers only religious nonmedical  
17 treatment or religious nonmedical nursing care shall not be  
18 required to have a medical director.

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