
SENATE BILL 5145

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1 AN ACT Relating to the membership of the health technology
2 clinical committee; and amending RCW 70.14.090.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 70.14.090 and 2006 c 307 s 2 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) A health technology clinical committee is established, to
7 include the following eleven members appointed by the administrator
8 in consultation with participating state agencies:

9 (a) Six practicing physicians licensed under chapter 18.57 or
10 18.71 RCW; and

11 (b) Five other practicing licensed health professionals who use
12 health technology in their scope of practice.

13 (i) At least two members of the committee must have professional
14 experience treating women, children, elderly persons, and people with
15 diverse ethnic and racial backgrounds.

16 (ii) At least one member of the committee must be a medical
17 expert appointed by the Washington state medical association.

18 (2) Members of the committee:

19 (a) Shall not contract with or be employed by a health technology
20 manufacturer or a participating agency during their term or for
21 eighteen months before their appointment. As a condition of

1 appointment, each person shall agree to the terms and conditions
2 imposed by the administrator regarding conflicts of interest;

3 (b) Are immune from civil liability for any official acts
4 performed in good faith as members of the committee; and

5 (c) Shall be compensated for participation in the work of the
6 committee in accordance with a personal services contract to be
7 executed after appointment and before commencement of activities
8 related to the work of the committee.

9 (3) Meetings of the committee and any advisory group are subject
10 to chapter 42.30 RCW, the open public meetings act, including RCW
11 42.30.110(1)(1), which authorizes an executive session during a
12 regular or special meeting to consider proprietary or confidential
13 nonpublished information.

14 (4) Neither the committee nor any advisory group is an agency for
15 purposes of chapter 34.05 RCW.

16 (5) The health care authority shall provide administrative
17 support to the committee and any advisory group, and may adopt rules
18 governing their operation.

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