

SB 5352 - DIGEST

(SEE ALSO PROPOSED 1ST SUB)

Finds that the obligation of the state to protect its citizens from negligent care is a significant state interest, and accordingly reaffirms its intent that the applicable standard of proof in professional license disciplinary hearings under the uniform disciplinary act is the preponderance standard.

Finds that the preponderance standard as currently adopted by the department of health by rule for all health professionals subject to the uniform disciplinary act, chapter 18.130 RCW, does not violate principles of due process or equal protection.