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By Representatives Prentice and Moyer

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1            AN ACT Relating to the psychologist disciplinary committee; and  
2 amending RCW 18.83.135.

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

4            **Sec. 1.** RCW 18.83.135 and 1987 c 150 s 53 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6            The disciplinary committee shall meet at least once each year or  
7 upon the call of the chairperson at such time and place as the  
8 chairperson designates. A quorum for transaction of any business shall  
9 consist of ~~((five))~~ three members, ~~((including at least))~~ one of whom  
10 must be a public member.

11            The members of the disciplinary committee shall be immune from suit  
12 in any action, civil or criminal, based upon its disciplinary  
13 proceedings or other official acts performed in good faith as members  
14 of the committee.

1        In addition to the authority prescribed under RCW 18.130.050, the  
2 committee shall have the following authority:

3        (1) To maintain records of all activities, and to publish and  
4 distribute to all psychologists at least once each year abstracts of  
5 significant activities of the committee; and

6        (2) To obtain the written consent of the complaining client or  
7 patient or their legal representative, or of any person who may be  
8 affected by the complaint, in order to obtain information which  
9 otherwise might be confidential or privileged.

10        (3) Whenever the workload of the committee requires, the board may  
11 request that the secretary appoint pro tempore members. While serving  
12 as members pro tempore persons shall have all the powers, duties, and  
13 immunities, and are entitled to the emoluments, including travel  
14 expenses, of the committee.