Sponsor(s): Senators Keiser, Winsley, Thibaudeau and Kohl-Welles

Brief Description: Regulating hospitals and health professions. Revised for 1st Substitute: Regulating health professions.

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## (SEE ALSO PROPOSED 1ST SUB)

Requires hospitals to post copies of a notice, specified by and furnished by the department of health, advising of the whistleblower protections afforded in RCW 43.70.075 for reporting concerns about improper quality of care provided by health care professionals, in conspicuous places on its premises where notices to affected employees are usually posted.

Provides that a review of the physical and mental capacity and competence in delivering health care services of all persons with medical staff privileges must be conducted whenever those credentials are terminated, allowed to lapse, or surrendered for any reason. This review must include a specific recommendation to the hospital regarding language to be used in replying to another facility's request for a recommendation.

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