CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5146

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QUALITY IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETINGS--CONFIDENTIALITY

EFFECTIVE DATE: 7/24/05

Passed by the Senate March 8, 2005 CERTIFICATE YEAS 46 NAYS 0 I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that BRAD OWEN the attached is SUBSTITUTE SENATE President of the Senate BILL 5146 as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives Passed by the House April 5, 2005 YEAS 93 NAYS 1 on the dates hereon set forth. THOMAS HOEMANN FRANK CHOPP Secretary Speaker of the House of Representatives Approved April 22, 2005. FILED April 22, 2005 - 4:26 p.m.

> Secretary of State State of Washington

CHRISTINE GREGOIRE

Governor of the State of Washington

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By Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care (originally sponsored by Senators Keiser, Parlette, Kastama and Brandland)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to allowing confidential quality improvement
- 2 committee meetings, proceedings, and deliberations; and amending RCW
- 3 70.44.062.

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- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 70.44.062 and 1985 c 166 s 1 are each amended to read 6 as follows:
- 7 (1) All meetings, proceedings, and deliberations of the board of
- 9 revocation, restriction, or other consideration of the status of the

commissioners, its staff or agents, concerning the granting, denial,

- 10 clinical or staff privileges of a physician or other health care
- 11 provider as that term is defined in RCW 7.70.020, if such other
- 12 providers at the discretion of the district's commissioners are
- 13 considered for such privileges, shall be confidential and may be
- 14 conducted in executive session: PROVIDED, That the final action of the
- 15 board as to the denial, revocation, or restriction of clinical or staff
- 16 privileges of a physician or other health care provider as defined in
- 17 RCW 7.70.020 shall be done in public session.
- 18 (2) All meetings, proceedings, and deliberations of a quality
- 19 improvement committee established under RCW 4.24.250, 43.70.510, or

- 1 70.41.200 and all meetings, proceedings, and deliberations of the board
- 2 of commissioners, its staff or agents, to review the report or the
- 3 activities of a quality improvement committee established under RCW
- 4 <u>4.24.250</u>, <u>43.70.510</u>, or <u>70.41.200</u> may, at the discretion of the quality
- 5 improvement committee or the board of commissioners, be confidential
- 6 and may be conducted in executive session. Any review conducted by the
- 7 board of commissioners or quality improvement committee, or their
- 8 staffs or agents, shall be subject to the same protections,
- 9 <u>limitations</u>, and exemptions that apply to quality improvement committee
- 10 <u>activities under RCW 4.24.240, 4.24.250, 43.70.510, and 70.41.200.</u>
- 11 However, any final action of the board of commissioners on the report
- of the quality improvement committee shall be done in public session.

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