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By Senators Marr and Brown

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1 AN ACT Relating to local health board composition; and amending RCW
2 70.05.030.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 70.05.030 and 1995 c 43 s 6 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) In counties without a home rule charter, the board of county
7 commissioners shall ~~((constitute the))~~ establish a local board of
8 health as provided in subsection (2) of this section, unless the county
9 is part of a health district pursuant to chapter 70.46 RCW. The
10 jurisdiction of the local board of health shall be coextensive with the
11 boundaries of ~~((said))~~ the county. The board of county commissioners
12 may, at its discretion, adopt an ordinance expanding the size and
13 composition of the board of health to include elected officials from
14 cities and towns and persons other than elected officials as members
15 ~~((so long as persons other than elected officials do not constitute a~~
16 ~~majority))~~. An ordinance adopted under this section shall include
17 provisions for the appointment, term, and compensation, or
18 reimbursement of expenses.

19 (2) The local board of health must be comprised of the following:

- 1 (a) Two members of the board of county commissioners;
2 (b) Two local physician representatives nominated by the county
3 medical society;
4 (c) A local health care professional chosen by the board of county
5 commissioners;
6 (d) Two local business representatives nominated by the local
7 chamber of commerce, one representing the restaurant industry and one
8 representing the building industry; and
9 (e) Two public members chosen by the board of county commissioners.

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