HOUSE BILL 2730

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By Representative Haler

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1 AN ACT Relating to disclosure requirements in long-term care 2 settings regarding autopsies; amending RCW 18.51.009; and adding a new 3 section to chapter 70.129 RCW.

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

5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 70.129 RCW 6 to read as follows:

7 A long-term care facility shall disclose to potential residents and 8 their legal representatives that, in the event of the death of the 9 resident, an autopsy or postmortem may be authorized by a family 10 member, guardian, or other person or agency according to the order of 11 priority established in RCW 68.50.101.

12 **Sec. 2.** RCW 18.51.009 and 1994 c 214 s 22 are each amended to read 13 as follows:

14 RCW 70.129.007, 70.129.105, ((and)) 70.129.150 through 70.129.170, 15 and section 1 of this act apply to this chapter and persons regulated 16 under this chapter.

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