## HOUSE BILL 1870

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By Representatives Schmick and Cody

Read first time 02/02/15. Referred to Committee on Health Care & Wellness.

- 1 AN ACT Relating to the ownership of hospitals; adding a new
- 2 section to chapter 70.38 RCW; and providing an expiration date.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- MEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 70.38 RCW to read as follows:
- 6 (1) From January 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016, the department
  7 may not issue a certificate of need for the sale, purchase, or lease
  8 of an existing hospital to another hospital or a purchasing entity
  9 that has an ownership or investment interest in any other hospital
  10 within Washington.
- 11 (2) This section expires July 1, 2016.

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