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Brief Title: Abrogating the corporate practice of medicine doctrine.

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(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 1ST SUB)

Declares that the corporate practice of medicine doctrine as it applies to practitioners licensed pursuant to chapters 18.57 and 18.71 RCW is hereby abrogated in whole. In construing this abrogation, courts shall not apply rules of legislative interpretation that result in narrowly construing this abrogation because it is in derogation of common law. Nothing in this act affects the common law corporate practice doctrine as it applies to professionals other than physicians and osteopathic physicians.

Provides that a professional corporation, professional limited liability company, or professional limited liability partnership may convert to a business corporation, limited liability company, or limited liability partnership by so amending its articles of incorporation, certificate of formation, or other basic business organization document as the case may be and filing the amendment with the state.