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Sponsor(s): Representatives Dyer, Backlund, Skinner and Sherstad

Brief Title: Concerning the waiver of the physician-patient privilege in a health care suit.

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Declares that, where the privilege has been waived under RCW 5.60.060, ex parte interviews with such physicians may be conducted in the same manner as with any other witness.

Declares that a health care provider may disclose health care information about a patient without the patient's authorization to the extent a recipient needs to know the information, if the disclosure is made after a deemed waiver of the physician-patient privilege under RCW 5.60.060(4)(b).

Declares that RCW 5.60.060 and 70.02.050 do not apply to claims, hearings, appeals, or any other proceedings under Title 51 RCW.