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SENATE BILL 6203

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By Senators Fairley and Franklin

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1 AN ACT Relating to institutional review boards; and adding a new  
2 section to chapter 70.02 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 70.02 RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6 Any institutional review board operating in the state of Washington  
7 shall:

8 (1) Have more than one nonscientific member on the board. More  
9 than one nonscientific member must participate in any portion of a  
10 board meeting where research plans or protocols are reviewed;

11 (2) Have more than one noninstitutional board member. The same  
12 person cannot represent both a nonscientific and a noninstitutional  
13 board member. More than one noninstitutional board member must  
14 participate in any portion of a board meeting where research plans or  
15 protocols are reviewed;

16 (3) Have scientists comprise at least one-third, but no more than  
17 two-thirds of the board membership; and

1       (4) Invalidate the vote of any board member with a property or  
2 fiscal interest in the research being reviewed. No board member shall  
3 vote on research in which he or she has a property or fiscal interest.

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