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**Health Care & Wellness Committee**

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**SB 5764**

**Brief Description:** Changing the name of the medical quality assurance commission to the Washington medical commission.

**Sponsors:** Senators Randall, Cleveland, Becker, Keiser and Wilson, C.; by request of Washington State Medical Commission.

**Brief Summary of Bill**

- Changes the name of the Medical Quality Assurance Commission to the Washington Medical Commission.

**Hearing Date:** 3/19/19

**Staff:** Jim Morishima (786-7191).

**Background:**

The Medical Quality Assurance Commission (MQAC) licenses and regulates physicians and physician assistants. The MQAC consists of 21 members appointed by the Governor. Thirteen members of the MQAC must be licensed physicians, two members must be licensed physician assistants, and six members must be members of the public. All members must be United States citizens and residents of Washington. Physician members must have been licensed in Washington for at least five years.

**Summary of Bill:**

The name of the Medical Quality Assurance Commission is changed to the Washington Medical Commission.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

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**Effective Date:** The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed.