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Sponsor(s): House Committee on Health Care (originally sponsored by Representatives Backlund and Dyer)

Brief Description: Providing health care quality assurance.

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(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Requires hospitals to submit hospital financial and patient discharge information in conformance with a uniform reporting system established by the department.

Provides for the elimination and coordination of duplicate state programs.

Calls for the preservation of ethical standards in managed care contracting.

Forms an interagency group for coordination and consultation on quality assurance activities.

Modifies confidentiality of records requirements.

Revises anti-trust provisions for the health care system.

Repeals RCW 70.170.100, 70.170.110, 70.170.120, 70.170.130, 70.170.140, 43.72.070, and 70.170.080.

Directs the department of health to study the feasibility of a uniform quality assurance and improvement program.