

2839-S

Sponsor(s): House Committee on Health Care (originally sponsored by Representatives Dyer, Sherstad, Thompson, McMahan, Goldsmith, Huff, Carlson, Robertson and Johnson)

Brief Description: Providing for health care liability reform.

HB 2839-S - DIGEST

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Establishes procedures for the filing of a certificate of merit by an attorney in an action for damages arising from health care.

Provides for the waiver of physician-patient privileges.

Revises provisions relating to statute of limitations for minors, incompetent persons, and some prisoners.

Provides that the request for mediation of a dispute related to damages for injury occurring as a result of health care shall toll the statute of limitations provided in RCW 4.16.350 for a six month period.