

SB 5203 - DIGEST

Declares that it is in the public interest that at least one physician who practices holistic medicine be on the medical quality assurance commission because in some respects the skill sets and treatment modalities offered materially differ between holistic and allopathic practitioners. Although physicians trained in holistic medicine are not universally better than allopathic providers, their training is based on different paradigms. Availability of both is essential for public health, and the commission can only be reasonably expected to hold a balanced view on the complete spectrum of treatment modalities if the holistic segment of the profession is included.