

AB 655 (Hayashi)

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Memo re AB 655 (Hayashi)

I've submitted request for AB 655 to be held over in committee. The bill as it stands now appears to have been concocted by staff without significant stakeholder input.

The bill as it stands now is "Star Chamber" or "lettres de cachet" material because the proposed legislation does not provide for the doctor undergoing peer review to have access to the transferred material or to be able to veto material or to have expunged material deemed to be false, inaccurate, or just plain defamatory.

I've notified CMA as sponsor of the bill that the current language in the bill reflects carelessness in the drafting of the bill and that amended language is needed.

This memo is not confidential. You may forward same at will. I also request that this memo and others by me on this bill be included in the history of the bill so that others who seek to track it later and review background material may have access to this notification of concern.

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