HB 691 -- Impaired Physician Program

Sponsor: Schaaf

This bill authorizes the State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts within the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration to establish an impaired physician program to promote the early identification, intervention, treatment, or rehabilitation of physicians who may be impaired due to illness, substance abuse, or as the result of any mental condition. Documents and communications related to the program will be considered privileged and confidential. Records and proceedings of the program will be privileged and confidential, may only be used in program functions, will not be considered public records, and will not be subject to court subpoena or used as evidence in any civil, criminal, or administrative proceeding.