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1 On page 1, line 19, after "budget act." insert "The license fees 2 established by the legislature shall not exceed the department's 3 annual licensing and regulatory activity costs." 4 5 On page 3, line 16, after "budget act." insert "The license fees 6 established by the legislature shall not exceed the department's 7 annual licensing and regulatory activity costs." 8 On page 6, line 31, after "budget act." insert "The license fees 9 10 established by the legislature shall not exceed the department's 11 annual licensing and regulatory activity costs." 12 13 On page 7, after line 16, insert the following: 14 15 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. A new section is added to chapter 43.20A RCW 16 to read as follows:

- 10 to read as IOIIOWS:

 17 (1) It is the intent of the legislature that the costs of each
- 18 long term care facility licensing and regulatory program be fully
- 19 borne by the facilities. With the information provided in the report
- 20 under subsection (2) of this section, the legislature intends to
- 21 identify the licensing fees for each facility that would be sufficient
- 22 to defray the costs of administering the licensing and regulatory
- 23 program for those facilities.
- 24 (2) Beginning July 15, 2010, and annually thereafter, the
- 25 department shall provide a licensing fee report to the legislature on
- 26 nursing homes, boarding homes, and adult family homes. The report
- 27 shall include:

- 1 (a) Information on initial licensing including but not limited to:
- 2 (i) The number of initial facility inspections; and
- 3 (ii) The number of initial licensing follow-up inspections by
- 4 facility type;
- 5 (b) Information on licensing renewals including but not limited 6 to:
- 7 (i) The number of licensing renewal full inspections;
- 8 (ii) The number of follow-up inspections; and
- 9 (iii) The average length of time between renewal inspections by
- 10 facility type;
- 11 (c) Information on complaint investigations including but not
- 12 limited to:
- 13 (i) The total number of complaint investigations by facility type;
- 14 (ii) The number of complaint investigations by priority and
- 15 facility type; and
- 16 (iii) The percent of complaints per bed by facility type; and
- 17 (d) Information on licensing and regulatory costs for the previous
- 18 fiscal year including but not limited to:
- 19 (i) The total costs for licensing and regulatory activities by
- 20 facility type;
- 21 (ii) The percentage of total state operating costs for licensing
- 22 and regulatory activities that are covered through licensing fees; and
- 23 (iii) The estimated fee amount that would be needed in order to
- 24 cover the total state costs of licensing and regulatory activities, by
- 25 facility type."

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EFFECT: The license fees for boarding homes, nursing homes, and adult family homes that are established in the biennial budget act will not exceed DSHS's costs for the licensing and regulatory activity on those facilities.

The legislature intends that the costs of the licensing and regulatory activities will be fully borne by the facilities that are being licensed.

DSHS shall provide an annual report to the legislature that details the licensing and regulatory activities from the previous fiscal year, and provides the costs related to those activities. The report shall include the percentage of state costs that are covered by the licensing fees and an estimated fee amount that would be needed to cover the total state costs for licensing and regulatory activities.

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