SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1877

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By House Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Chambers, Gilday, Jacobsen, Simmons, Corry, Graham, Dolan, Riccelli, Eslick, Lekanoff, and Wicks)

READ FIRST TIME 01/27/22.

1 AN ACT Relating to expired certifications for certain health 2 professions; and adding a new section to chapter 18.88B RCW.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 18.88B
RCW to read as follows:

6 (1) A certificate that has been expired for five years or less 7 may be reinstated if the person holding the expired certificate:

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(a) Completes an abbreviated application form;

9 (b) Pays any necessary fees, including the current certification 10 fee, late renewal fees, and expired credential reissuance fees;

11 (c) Provides a written declaration that no action has been taken 12 by a state or federal jurisdiction or hospital which would prevent or 13 restrict the person holding the expired certificate from practicing 14 as a home care aide; and

(d) Provides a written declaration that the person holding the expired certificate has not voluntarily given up any credential or privilege or has not been restricted from practicing as a home care aide in lieu of or to avoid formal action.

19 (2) In addition to meeting the requirements of subsection (1) of 20 this section, a certificate that has been expired for more than five 21 years may be reinstated if the person holding the expired certificate

- 1 demonstrates competence to the standards established by the secretary
- 2 and meets other requirements established by the secretary.

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