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By Senators Deccio, Wojahn, Benton, Franklin, Wood, Prentice and Winsley

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1 AN ACT Relating to health care facility worker identification; and
2 adding a new section to chapter 70.41 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 70.41 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 All persons employed by, working for, volunteering with,
7 contracting with, leasing space from, or otherwise providing services
8 at a health care facility shall wear an identification badge. The
9 badge must be worn on the person's clothing so that it is visible and
10 readable. The badge must include the person's name and job title,
11 position, or role at the health care facility. For the purposes of
12 this section, "health care facility" means a facility that provides
13 health related services, including but not limited to, a hospital,
14 clinic, pharmacy, health care provider's office, health maintenance
15 organization, diagnostic or treatment center, neuropsychiatric or
16 mental health facility, or long-term care facility required to be
17 licensed under chapter 18.20, 18.51, 72.36, or 70.128 RCW or a home
18 health, hospice, or home care agency licensed under chapter 70.127 RCW,
19 or contracted assisted living services under RCW 74.39A.010. For the

1 purposes of this section "person" includes but is not limited to health
2 care provider, staff member, and all other employees, both professional
3 and nonprofessional, as well as volunteers.

4 The health care facility owner or his or her designee is
5 responsible for assuring that all persons comply with this section.

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