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By Representatives Cody and Harris

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1 AN ACT Relating to increasing the health professions  
2 participating in online access to the University of Washington health  
3 sciences library; reenacting and amending RCW 43.70.110; and  
4 providing an effective date.

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

6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.70.110 and 2013 c 249 s 1 and 2013 c 77 s 1 are  
7 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

8 (1) The secretary shall charge fees to the licensee for obtaining  
9 a license. Physicians regulated pursuant to chapter 18.71 RCW who  
10 reside and practice in Washington and obtain or renew a retired  
11 active license are exempt from such fees. After June 30, 1995,  
12 municipal corporations providing emergency medical care and  
13 transportation services pursuant to chapter 18.73 RCW shall be exempt  
14 from such fees, provided that such other emergency services shall  
15 only be charged for their pro rata share of the cost of licensure and  
16 inspection, if appropriate. The secretary may waive the fees when, in  
17 the discretion of the secretary, the fees would not be in the best  
18 interest of public health and safety, or when the fees would be to  
19 the financial disadvantage of the state.

20 (2) Except as provided in subsection (3) of this section, fees  
21 charged shall be based on, but shall not exceed, the cost to the

1 department for the licensure of the activity or class of activities  
2 and may include costs of necessary inspection.

3 (3) License fees shall include amounts in addition to the cost of  
4 licensure activities in the following circumstances:

5 (a) For registered nurses and licensed practical nurses licensed  
6 under chapter 18.79 RCW, support of a central nursing resource center  
7 as provided in RCW 18.79.202;

8 (b) For all health care providers licensed under RCW 18.130.040,  
9 the cost of regulatory activities for retired volunteer medical  
10 worker licensees as provided in RCW 18.130.360; and

11 (c) For physicians licensed under chapter 18.71 RCW, physician  
12 assistants licensed under chapter 18.71A RCW, osteopathic physicians  
13 licensed under chapter 18.57 RCW, osteopathic physicians' assistants  
14 licensed under chapter 18.57A RCW, naturopaths licensed under chapter  
15 18.36A RCW, podiatrists licensed under chapter 18.22 RCW,  
16 chiropractors licensed under chapter 18.25 RCW, psychologists  
17 licensed under chapter 18.83 RCW, registered nurses and licensed  
18 practical nurses licensed under chapter 18.79 RCW, optometrists  
19 licensed under chapter 18.53 RCW, mental health counselors licensed  
20 under chapter 18.225 RCW, massage therapists licensed under chapter  
21 18.108 RCW, clinical social workers licensed under chapter 18.225  
22 RCW, midwives licensed under chapter 18.50 RCW, (~~licensed~~) marriage  
23 and family therapists and marriage and family therapist associates  
24 licensed under chapter 18.225 RCW, occupational therapists and  
25 occupational therapy assistants licensed under chapter 18.59 RCW,  
26 dietitians and nutritionists certified under chapter 18.138 RCW,  
27 speech-language pathologists licensed under chapter 18.35 RCW, and  
28 East Asian medicine practitioners licensed under chapter 18.06 RCW,  
29 the license fees shall include up to an additional twenty-five  
30 dollars to be transferred by the department to the University of  
31 Washington for the purposes of RCW 43.70.112.

32 (4) Department of health advisory committees may review fees  
33 established by the secretary for licenses and comment upon the  
34 appropriateness of the level of such fees.

35 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act takes effect August 1, 2015.

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