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## HOUSE BILL 1433

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By Representatives Macri, Dolan, Jinkins, Appleton, Doglio, Riccelli, Thai, Robinson, Lovick, Ormsby, and Kloba

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to requiring health insurance payment parity for
- 2 advanced registered nurse practitioners; and adding a new section to
- 3 chapter 48.43 RCW.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 48.43 6 RCW to read as follows:
- 7 (1) For plan years beginning January 1, 2020, a health carrier 8 may not reimburse a contracted provider who is an advanced registered
- 9 nurse practitioner licensed under chapter 18.79 RCW in an amount less
- 10 than the health carrier would reimburse for the same service if
- 11 provided by a contracted provider who is a physician licensed under
- 12 chapter 18.57 or 18.71 RCW in the same area served.
- 13 (2) A health carrier may not reduce the reimbursement amount paid
- 14 to physicians licensed under chapter 18.57 or 18.71 RCW to comply
- 15 with this section.
- 16 (3) This section does not apply to employees of a health 17 maintenance organization regulated under chapter 48.46 RCW.

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