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**SENATE BILL 6310**

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**State of Washington 65th Legislature 2018 Regular Session**

**By** Senators Bailey, Cleveland, Becker, Wagoner, and Angel

AN ACT Relating to medical assistant credential fees; and amending RCW 18.360.070.

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

**Sec.**  RCW 18.360.070 and 2012 c 153 s 8 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) In addition to any other authority provided by law, the secretary may:

(a) Adopt rules, in accordance with chapter 34.05 RCW, necessary to implement this chapter;

(b) Establish forms and procedures necessary to administer this chapter;

(c) Establish administrative procedures, administrative requirements, and fees in accordance with RCW 43.70.250 and 43.70.280((~~. Until July 1, 2016, for purposes of setting fees under this section, the secretary shall consider persons registered or certified under this chapter and health care assistants, certified under chapter 18.135 RCW, as one profession~~));

(d) Hire clerical, administrative, and investigative staff as needed to implement and administer this chapter;

(e) Maintain the official department of health record of all applicants and credential holders; and

(f) Establish requirements and procedures for an inactive registration or certification.

(2) In establishing fees pursuant to subsection (1)(c) of this section, the secretary may not require a person to pay a registration, certification, or licensure fee more than once, including any fees for receiving an initial medical assistant credential, within a two-year renewal cycle.

(3) The uniform disciplinary act, chapter 18.130 RCW, governs unlicensed practice, the issuance and denial of a registration or certification, and the discipline of persons registered or certified under this chapter.

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