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**SENATE BILL 5378**

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**State of Washington 67th Legislature 2021 Regular Session**

**By** Senators Das, Nobles, Hasegawa, Lovelett, Randall, Saldaña, and Wilson, C.

AN ACT Relating to real estate brokers and managing brokers license renewal requirements; and amending RCW 18.85.211.

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

**Sec.**  RCW 18.85.211 and 2008 c 23 s 22 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) All real estate brokers and managing brokers shall furnish proof as prescribed by rule of the director that they have successfully completed at least the required minimum number of ((~~thirty~~)) 30 clock hours of instruction every two years in real estate courses approved by the director to renew their licenses. The director may adopt rules to limit the number of hours of distance education courses that may be used for license renewal. Up to ((~~fifteen~~)) 15 clock hours of instruction in excess of the required ((~~thirty~~)) 30 clock hours acquired within the immediately preceding two-year period may be carried forward for credit in a subsequent two-year period. Examinations shall not be required to fulfill any part of the education requirement in this section.

(2) Of the required 30 hours of instruction in subsection (1) of this section, six hours of instruction must be focused on fair housing education and prevention of unfair practices with respect to real estate transactions, facilities, or services as specified in RCW 49.60.222.

(3) The department shall provide more specific training concepts within fair housing education by the requirements specified in subsection (2) of this section with the input of associations that represent real estate brokers and agents, the Washington state commission on African American affairs, the Washington state commission on Hispanic affairs, the governor's office of Indian affairs, the Washington state commission on Asian Pacific American affairs, the Washington state human rights commission, the governor's committee on disability issues and employment, the Washington state LGBTQ commission, and the Washington state housing finance commission.

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