HOUSE BILL 2112

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1 AN ACT Relating to fairness and equity in health professions 2 licensing fees; and amending RCW 43.70.250.

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

4 Sec. 1. RCW 43.70.250 and 1996 c 191 s 1 are each amended to read 5 as follows:

(1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, it shall 6 7 be the policy of the state of Washington that the cost of each 8 professional, occupational, or business licensing program be fully 9 borne by the members of ((that)) every profession, occupation, or 10 business. The secretary shall from time to time establish the amount of all application fees, license fees, registration fees, examination 11 fees, permit fees, renewal fees, and any other fee associated with 12 13 licensing or regulation of professions, occupations, or businesses 14 administered by the department. In fixing said fees, the secretary 15 shall set the fees for each program at a sufficient level to defray the 16 costs of administering that program. All such fees shall be fixed by 17 rule adopted by the secretary in accordance with the provisions of the 18 administrative procedure act, chapter 34.05 RCW.

1	(2)(a) The secretary shall set fees for all certified health
2	professions regulated by the department so that the fees are equal for
3	all certified health professions and are set at a sufficient level to
4	defray the costs of administering all certified health profession
5	programs.
6	(b) The secretary shall set fees for all registered health
7	professions regulated by the department so that the fees are equal for
8	all registered health professions and are set at a sufficient level to
9	defray the costs of administering all registered health profession
10	programs.
11	(c) The secretary shall set fees for all licensed health
12	professions regulated by the department so that the fees are equal for
13	all licensed health professions and are set at a sufficient level to
14	defray the costs of administering all licensed health profession
15	programs.

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