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By Representatives Cody, Johnson, Moeller, Walsh, Morrell, Schmick, Green, Wilcox, and Roberts

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to increasing the health professions participating
- 2 in online access to the University of Washington health sciences
- 3 library; and amending RCW 43.70.110.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 Sec. 1. RCW 43.70.110 and 2011 c 35 s 1 are each amended to read 6 as follows:
- 7 (1) The secretary shall charge fees to the licensee for obtaining
- 8 a license. Physicians regulated pursuant to chapter 18.71 RCW who
- 9 reside and practice in Washington and obtain or renew a retired active
- 10 license are exempt from such fees. After June 30, 1995, municipal
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- 11 corporations providing emergency medical care and transportation
- 13 provided that such other emergency services shall only be charged for

services pursuant to chapter 18.73 RCW shall be exempt from such fees,

their pro rata share of the cost of licensure and inspection, if

- 15 appropriate. The secretary may waive the fees when, in the discretion
- of the secretary, the fees would not be in the best interest of public
- 17 health and safety, or when the fees would be to the financial
- 18 disadvantage of the state.

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1 (2) Except as provided in subsection (3) of this section, fees 2 charged shall be based on, but shall not exceed, the cost to the 3 department for the licensure of the activity or class of activities and 4 may include costs of necessary inspection.

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- (3) License fees shall include amounts in addition to the cost of licensure activities in the following circumstances:
- (a) For registered nurses and licensed practical nurses licensed under chapter 18.79 RCW, support of a central nursing resource center as provided in RCW 18.79.202, until June 30, 2013;
- (b) For all health care providers licensed under RCW 18.130.040, the cost of regulatory activities for retired volunteer medical worker licensees as provided in RCW 18.130.360; and
- 13 (c) For physicians licensed under chapter 18.71 RCW, physician assistants licensed under chapter 18.71A RCW, osteopathic physicians 14 15 licensed under chapter 18.57 RCW, osteopathic physicians' assistants licensed under chapter 18.57A RCW, naturopaths licensed under chapter 16 18.36A RCW, podiatrists licensed under chapter 18.22 RCW, chiropractors 17 licensed under chapter 18.25 RCW, psychologists licensed under chapter 18 19 18.83 RCW, registered nurses licensed under chapter 18.79 RCW, 20 optometrists licensed under chapter 18.53 RCW, mental health counselors 21 licensed under chapter 18.225 RCW, massage therapists licensed under chapter 18.108 RCW, clinical social workers licensed under chapter 22 18.225 RCW, midwives licensed under chapter 18.50 RCW((\div)), licensed 23 24 marriage and family therapists under chapter 18.225 25 occupational therapists licensed under chapter 18.59 RCW, and East 26 Asian medicine practitioners licensed under chapter 18.06 RCW, the 27 license fees shall include up to an additional twenty-five dollars to be transferred by the department to the University of Washington for 28 the purposes of RCW 43.70.112. 29
- 30 (4) Department of health advisory committees may review fees 31 established by the secretary for licenses and comment upon the 32 appropriateness of the level of such fees.

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