ENGROSSED SENATE BILL 5206

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AN ACT Relating to increasing the health professions participating in online access to the University of Washington health sciences 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 reside and practice in Washington and obtain or renew a retired active 9 10 license are exempt from such fees. After June 30, 1995, municipal corporations providing emergency medical care and transportation 11 12 services pursuant to chapter 18.73 RCW shall be exempt from such fees, 13 provided that such other emergency services shall only be charged for their pro rata share of the cost of licensure and inspection, if 14 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 16 health and safety, or when the fees would be to the financial 17 disadvantage of the state. 18

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.

5 (3) License fees shall include amounts in addition to the cost of 6 licensure activities in the following circumstances:

7 (a) For registered nurses and licensed practical nurses licensed
8 under chapter 18.79 RCW, support of a central nursing resource center
9 as provided in RCW 18.79.202, until June 30, 2013;

10 (b) For all health care providers licensed under RCW 18.130.040, 11 the cost of regulatory activities for retired volunteer medical worker 12 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 17 18.36A RCW, podiatrists licensed under chapter 18.22 RCW, chiropractors licensed under chapter 18.25 RCW, psychologists licensed under chapter 18 19 18.83 RCW, registered nurses licensed under chapter 18.79 RCW, optometrists licensed under chapter 18.53 RCW, mental health counselors 20 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 $RCW((+))_{\perp}$ licensed 23 24 marriage and family therapists under chapter $18.225 \text{ RCW}((\div))_{\perp}$ occupational therapists and occupational therapy assistants licensed 25 26 under chapter 18.59 RCW, dietitians and nutritionists certified under 27 chapter 18.138 RCW, licensed speech-language pathologists under chapter 18.35 RCW, and East Asian medicine practitioners licensed under chapter 28 29 18.06 RCW, the license fees shall include up to an additional twenty-30 five dollars to be transferred by the department to the University of Washington for the purposes of RCW 43.70.112. All other health care 31 32 professionals subject to regulation under chapter 18.130 RCW may pay an additional fee at point of licensure of no more than twenty-five 33 dollars and as determined by the department if they wish to access the 34 35 University of Washington's health sciences library under RCW 43.70.112. 36 (4) Department of health advisory committees may review fees

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- 1 established by the secretary for licenses and comment upon the
- 2 appropriateness of the level of such fees.

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