

SHB 1568 - H AMD 169

By Representative Chambers

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1 On page 1, line 11, after "current renewal fee" insert ", and is  
2 exempt from any continuing education requirement imposed as a  
3 precondition for returning to active status,"

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5 On page 2, line 9, after "fee" insert ", and is exempt from any  
6 continuing education requirement imposed as a precondition for  
7 returning to active status,"

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9 On page 7, after line 28, insert the following:

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11 **"Sec. 9.** RCW 43.70.250 and 2019 c 415 s 966 are each amended to  
12 read as follows:

13 (1) It shall be the policy of the state of Washington that the  
14 cost of each professional, occupational, or business licensing  
15 program be fully borne by the members of that profession,  
16 occupation, or business.

17 (2) The secretary shall from time to time establish the amount  
18 of all application fees, license fees, registration fees,  
19 examination fees, permit fees, renewal fees, and any other fee  
20 associated with licensing or regulation of professions, occupations,  
21 or businesses administered by the department. Any and all fees or  
22 assessments, or both, levied on the state to cover the costs of the  
23 operations and activities of the interstate health professions  
24 licensure compacts with participating authorities listed under  
25 chapter 18.130 RCW shall be borne by the persons who hold licenses  
26 issued pursuant to the authority and procedures established under  
27 the compacts. In fixing said fees, the secretary shall set the fees

1 for each program at a sufficient level to defray the costs of  
2 administering that program and the cost of regulating licensed  
3 volunteer medical workers in accordance with RCW 18.130.360, except  
4 as provided in RCW 18.79.202. (~~In no case may the secretary  
5 increase a licensing fee for an ambulatory surgical facility  
6 licensed under chapter 70.230 RCW during the 2019-2021 fiscal  
7 biennium, nor may he or she commence the adoption of rules to  
8 increase a licensing fee during the 2019-2021 fiscal biennium.~~)

9       (3) In no case may the secretary increase a licensing or  
10 renewal fee for a home care aide certified under chapter 18.88B RCW  
11 during the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium. If the requirements of this  
12 subsection create a revenue shortfall for the home care aide  
13 certification program, the secretary shall submit a budget request  
14 to address the shortfall to the appropriate fiscal committees of the  
15 legislature.

16       (4) All (~~such~~) fees established under this section shall be  
17 fixed by rule adopted by the secretary in accordance with the  
18 provisions of the administrative procedure act, chapter 34.05 RCW."

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20       Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any  
21 internal references accordingly.

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23       On page 7, beginning on line 29, strike all of section 9

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25       Correct the title.

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EFFECT: Exempts a person whose nursing assistant or home care aide certificate has been expired for more than six months but less than two years from any continuing education requirement imposed as a precondition for returning to active status. Prohibits the Department of Health (DOH) from increasing licensing fees for home care aides during the 2023-2025 biennium and requires the DOH to submit a budget request to the Legislature if there is a resulting revenue shortfall. Restores the requirement that a long-term care worker meet minimum training requirements within 120 calendar days after the date of being hired (the underlying bill extends this period to 200 days).

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