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5 On page 3, after line 15 of the amendment, insert the following:

6 "Sec. 3. RCW 18.20.050 and 1987 c 75 s 3 are each amended to read 7 as follows:

8 Upon receipt of an application for license, if the applicant and 9 the boarding home facilities meet the requirements established under 10 this chapter, the department or the department and the authorized health department jointly, shall issue a license. 11 If there is a 12 failure to comply with the provisions of this chapter or the standards, 13 rules, and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto, the department, or the department and authorized health department, may in its discretion 14 15 issue to an applicant for a license, or for the renewal of a license, 16 a provisional license which will permit the operation of the boarding home for a period to be determined by the department, or the department 17 and authorized health department, but not to exceed twelve months, 18 19 which provisional license shall not be subject to renewal. At the time 20 of the application for or renewal of a license or provisional license 21 the licensee shall pay a license fee as established by the department under RCW 43.20B.110; however, the department shall not increase the 22 23 boarding home license fees until the legislature determines the extent 24 to which the department's administrative costs shall be supported by license fees and the state's general funds. By December 31, 1998, the 25 department shall provide to the chairs of the house and senate health 26 27 care committees an estimate of the cost of administering the boarding home program, including the costs of licensure and inspection, and 28 recommendations regarding appropriate per bed fee amounts and regarding 29 30 the use of state general funds necessary to support the department's administrative costs. When the license or provisional license is 31 issued jointly by the department and authorized health department, the 32 license fee shall be paid to the authorized health department. All 33 34 licenses issued under the provisions of this chapter shall expire on a 35 date to be set by the department, but no license issued pursuant to 36 this chapter shall exceed twelve months in duration: PROVIDED, That

- when the annual license renewal date of a previously licensed boarding
 home is set by the department on a date less than twelve months prior
- 3 to the expiration date of a license in effect at the time of
- 4 reissuance, the license fee shall be prorated on a monthly basis and a
- 5 credit be allowed at the first renewal of a license for any period of
- 6 one month or more covered by the previous license. All applications
- 7 for renewal of license shall be made not later than thirty days prior
- 8 to the date of expiration of the license. Each license shall be issued
- 9 only for the premises and persons named in the application, and no
- 10 license shall be transferable or assignable. Licenses shall be posted
- 11 in a conspicuous place on the licensed premises."
- Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct internal
- 13 references accordingly.
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- 17 On page 10, line 24 of the title amendment, after "18.20.020,"
- 18 insert "18.20.050,"
- 19 <u>EFFECT:</u> Ensures that boarding home license fees shall not be 20 increased until the department studies the cost of administering the
- 21 program and the legislature considers appropriate per bed fee amounts
- 22 including the use of general funds to support the department's
- 23 activities.

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