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SENATE BILL 5926

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By Senators West, Deccio and Winsley

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1 AN ACT Relating to the Washington state health insurance pool; and  
2 amending RCW 48.41.130.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 48.41.130 and 1987 c 431 s 13 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 All policy forms issued by the pool shall conform in substance to  
7 prototype forms developed by the pool, and shall in all other respects  
8 conform to the requirements of this chapter, and shall be filed with  
9 and approved by the commissioner before they are issued. The pool  
10 shall not issue a pool policy to any individual who, on the effective  
11 date of the coverage applied for, already has or would have coverage  
12 substantially equivalent to a pool policy as an insured or covered  
13 dependent, or who would be eligible for such coverage if he or she  
14 elected to obtain it at a lesser premium rate. However, coverage  
15 provided by the basic health plan, as established pursuant to chapter  
16 70.47 RCW, shall not be deemed substantially equivalent for the  
17 purposes of this section.

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