

**E2SHB 1291** - H AMD **659**

By Representative Cody

**ADOPTED 1/23/2006**

1           On page 2, beginning on line 9, strike all of sections 2 and 3  
2 and insert the following:

3           "**Sec. 2.** RCW 43.70.110 and 2005 c 268 s 2 are each amended to  
4 read as follows:

5           (1) The secretary shall charge fees to the licensee for  
6 obtaining a license. After June 30, 1995, municipal corporations  
7 providing emergency medical care and transportation services  
8 pursuant to chapter 18.73 RCW shall be exempt from such fees,  
9 provided that such other emergency services shall only be charged  
10 for their pro rata share of the cost of licensure and inspection,  
11 if appropriate. The secretary may waive the fees when, in the  
12 discretion of the secretary, the fees would not be in the best  
13 interest of public health and safety, or when the fees would be to  
14 the financial disadvantage of the state.

15           (2) Except as provided in RCW 18.79.202(~~(7)~~) until June 30,  
16 2013, and except as provided in section 4 of this act, fees charged  
17 shall be based on, but shall not exceed, the cost to the department  
18 for the licensure of the activity or class of activities and may  
19 include costs of necessary inspection.

20           (3) Department of health advisory committees may review fees  
21 established by the secretary for licenses and comment upon the  
22 appropriateness of the level of such fees.

23           **Sec. 3.** RCW 43.70.250 and 2005 c 268 s 3 are each amended to  
24 read as follows:

25           It shall be the policy of the state of Washington that the cost  
26 of each professional, occupational, or business licensing program  
27 be fully borne by the members of that profession, occupation, or  
28 business. The secretary shall from time to time establish the  
29 amount of all application fees, license fees, registration fees,  
30 examination fees, permit fees, renewal fees, and any other fee

1 associated with licensing or regulation of professions,  
2 occupations, or businesses administered by the department. In  
3 fixing said fees, the secretary shall set the fees for each program  
4 at a sufficient level to defray the costs of administering that  
5 program and the patient safety fee established in section 4 of this  
6 act, except as provided in RCW 18.79.202 until June 30, 2013. All  
7 such fees shall be fixed by rule adopted by the secretary in  
8 accordance with the provisions of the administrative procedure act,  
9 chapter 34.05 RCW."

10 On page 5, line 34, after "December 1," strike "2008" and  
11 insert "2009"

12 On page 6, beginning on line 15, strike all of section 11

13 Correct the title.

**EFFECT:** Postpones the date that the Department of Health's  
report on the patient safety account program must be  
completed from December 1, 2008 to December 1, 2009.

Eliminates the emergency clause.

Makes technical changes to reflect legislation passed in  
2005.