
HOUSE BILL 1611

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By Representatives Morrell, Hinkle, Green, Ericksen, and Kelley

1 AN ACT Relating to online access to the University of Washington
2 health sciences library by certain health care providers; amending RCW
3 43.70.110; and adding a new section to chapter 43.70 RCW.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.70.110 and 2007 c 259 s 11 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

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

16 (2) Except as provided in subsection (3) of this section, fees
17 charged shall be based on, but shall not exceed, the cost to the
18 department for the licensure of the activity or class of activities and
19 may include costs of necessary inspection.

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

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

6 (b) For all health care providers licensed under RCW 18.130.040,
7 the cost of regulatory activities for retired volunteer medical worker
8 licensees as provided in RCW 18.130.360; and

9 (c) For physicians licensed under chapter 18.71 RCW, physician
10 assistants licensed under chapter 18.71A RCW, osteopathic physicians
11 licensed under chapter 18.57 RCW, osteopathic physicians' assistants
12 licensed under chapter 18.57A RCW, naturopaths licensed under chapter
13 18.36A RCW, podiatrists licensed under chapter 18.22 RCW, chiropractors
14 licensed under chapter 18.25 RCW, psychologists licensed under chapter
15 18.83 RCW, registered nurses licensed under chapter 18.79 RCW,
16 optometrists licensed under chapter 18.53 RCW, mental health counselors
17 licensed under chapter 18.225 RCW, massage therapists licensed under
18 chapter 18.108 RCW, clinical social workers licensed under chapter
19 18.225 RCW, and acupuncturists licensed under chapter 18.06 RCW, the
20 license fees shall include up to an additional (~~twenty-five~~) five
21 dollars to be transferred by the department to the University of
22 Washington for the purposes of RCW 43.70.112.

23 (4) Department of health advisory committees may review fees
24 established by the secretary for licenses and comment upon the
25 appropriateness of the level of such fees.

26 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 43.70 RCW
27 to read as follows:

28 By September 1st of each year, the University of Washington shall
29 provide to the department an accounting of:

30 (1) The use of funds collected under RCW 43.70.110(c) during the
31 prior year; and

32 (2) The use of the online health sciences library by each category
33 of provider subject to RCW 43.70.110(c).

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