
ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1183

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By House Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Johnson, Cody, Ross, Kenney, Warnick, Maxwell, Schmick, Taylor, Hope, Haler, Goodman, Hinkle, Dickerson, McCune, Rodne, Armstrong, Ryu, Seaquist, Pedersen, Lias, Eddy, Appleton, Klippert, Kretz, Hasegawa, Fagan, Asay, Chandler, Angel, Ahern, and Stanford)

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1 AN ACT Relating to increasing the number of primary health care
2 providers in Washington; adding a new section to chapter 28B.115 RCW;
3 and creating a new section.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that a severe shortage
6 of primary health care providers exists in Washington, particularly in
7 rural and underserved areas of the state. The legislature further
8 finds that an over reliance on specialty health care at the expense of
9 primary care results in a health care system that is less efficient.
10 The legislature further finds that institutions of higher education
11 must produce more primary care providers. The legislature further
12 finds that the efficient use of clinical sites for rotations will
13 expand the supply of primary care providers. The legislature further
14 finds that expanding residency programs in community health centers
15 will increase residents' exposure to primary care practice.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.115
17 RCW to read as follows:

18 Any osteopathic or allopathic medical school receiving state funds

1 or authorized by the higher education coordinating board may not
2 prohibit a hospital or physician from entering into an agreement to
3 provide student clinical rotations to qualified osteopathic or
4 allopathic medical students.

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