
SENATE BILL 6628

State of Washington

65th Legislature

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By Senator Baumgartner

1 AN ACT Relating to the Washington state resident medical
2 education access act of 2018; adding a new section to chapter 28B.10
3 RCW; and creating new sections.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** This act may be known and cited as the
6 Washington state resident medical education access act of 2018.

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** The legislature finds that there is an
8 increasing shortage of doctors and health care professionals in the
9 state of Washington. In particular, Washington state has a growing
10 shortage of family medicine primary care physicians, especially in
11 rural and underserved areas. Workforce projections show that
12 Washington state needs eight hundred seventy-six more primary care
13 physicians in the state by as early as 2020 in order to meet the
14 needs of patients in Washington state.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.10
16 RCW to read as follows:

17 (1) At least ninety percent of the students admitted into the
18 University of Washington medical education programs as authorized in
19 RCW 28B.20.060 must be resident students under RCW 28B.15.012. For

1 the purposes of calculating the percent of students admitted into the
2 University of Washington medical education programs, the total pool
3 of admitted students shall be calculated as the nonresident and
4 resident students net the number of nonresident Washington, Wyoming,
5 Alaska, Montana, and Idaho (WWAMI) students.

6 (2) At least ninety percent of the students admitted into the
7 Washington State University medical education programs as authorized
8 in RCW 28B.30.058 must be resident students under RCW 28B.15.012.

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