HOUSE BILL 1049

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to increasing the availability of sexual assault
- 2 nurse examiners; and adding a new section to chapter 43.70 RCW.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- MEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 43.70 RCW to read as follows:
- 6 (1) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this
 7 specific purpose, the department shall establish a stipend program to
 8 defray the out-of-pocket expenses incurred by registered nurses
 9 completing the training necessary to become adult/adolescent or
 10 pediatric sexual assault nurse examiners.
- 11 (2) The total amount of the stipend for any individual nurse may 12 not exceed \$2,500.
- 13 (3) For purposes of this section, "out-of-pocket expenses" 14 include:
- 15 (a) Fees, tuition, educational materials, or other charges 16 imposed by the entity providing training;
- 17 (b) Reasonable travel expenses, including air travel, rental car 18 costs, mileage on a personal vehicle, lodging, and meals; and
- 19 (c) Any other expenses deemed appropriate by the department.

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- 1 (4) The department may adopt any rules necessary to implement
- 2 this section.

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