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ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1877

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By House Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Chambers, Gilday, Jacobsen, Simmons, Corry, Graham, Dolan, Riccelli, Eslick, Lekanoff, and Wicks)

READ FIRST TIME 01/27/22.

1 AN ACT Relating to expired certifications for certain health  
2 professions; and adding a new section to chapter 18.88B RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 18.88B  
5 RCW to read as follows:

6 (1) A certificate that has been expired for five years or less  
7 may be reinstated if the person holding the expired certificate:

8 (a) Completes an abbreviated application form;

9 (b) Pays any necessary fees, including the current certification  
10 fee, late renewal fees, and expired credential reissuance fees;

11 (c) Provides a written declaration that no action has been taken  
12 by a state or federal jurisdiction or hospital which would prevent or  
13 restrict the person holding the expired certificate from practicing  
14 as a home care aide;

15 (d) Provides a written declaration that the person holding the  
16 expired certificate has not voluntarily given up any credential or  
17 privilege or has not been restricted from practicing as a home care  
18 aide in lieu of or to avoid formal action; and

19 (e) Submits to a state and federal background check as required  
20 by RCW 74.39A.056, if the certificate has been expired for more than  
21 one year.

1           (2) In addition to meeting the requirements of subsection (1) of  
2 this section, a certificate that has been expired for more than five  
3 years may be reinstated if the person holding the expired certificate  
4 demonstrates competence to the standards established by the secretary  
5 and meets other requirements established by the secretary.

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