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By Representatives Doglio and Appleton

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1 AN ACT Relating to prohibiting maintenance of certification as a
2 condition for a physician to participate in a health carrier's
3 provider network; and adding a new section to chapter 48.43 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 48.43
6 RCW to read as follows:

7 (1) A health carrier may not require a physician licensed under
8 chapter 18.71 RCW or an osteopathic physician licensed under chapter
9 18.57 RCW to participate in a maintenance of certification
10 requirement as a condition for the physician or osteopathic physician
11 to be a participating provider in a health plan offered by the health
12 carrier.

13 (2) For purposes of this section, "maintenance of certification"
14 means the satisfactory participation in a formal recertification
15 program to maintain board certification after initial certification
16 from the American osteopathic association bureau of osteopathic
17 specialists, the American board of medical specialties, or other
18 accrediting organization recognized by the Washington medical
19 commission or board of osteopathic medicine and surgery.

1 (3) This section applies to provider contracts entered or renewed
2 on or after the effective date of this section.

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