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Sponsor(s): Representatives Cody, Conway and Pflug

Brief Title: Completing prescriptive authority for advanced registered nurse practitioners.

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Recognizes that advanced registered nurse practitioners have a vital role in the delivery of health care in Washington state. Nurse practitioners practice independently within their specialty in a variety of health care settings and currently are authorized to prescribe legend drugs and Schedule V controlled substances.

Declares that allowing nurse practitioners to practice without restrictions on their prescribing authority will benefit Washington residents by improving timely access to care and decreasing health care costs by avoiding unnecessary duplication of services.