SENATE BILL 5734

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By Senators Kilmer, Delvin, and Shin; by request of Higher Education Coordinating Board

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- AN ACT Relating to tuition fees for students other than resident undergraduates; and amending RCW 28B.15.067.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

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- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28B.15.067 and 2007 c 355 s 7 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
- 6 (1) Tuition fees shall be established under the provisions of this chapter.
 - (2) Beginning with the 2003-04 academic year ((and ending with the 2008-09 academic year)), reductions or increases in full-time tuition fees for resident undergraduates shall be as provided in the omnibus appropriations act.
 - (3) ((Beginning with the 2003-04 academic year and ending with the 2008-09 academic year,)) The governing boards of the state universities, the regional universities, The Evergreen State College, and the state board for community and technical colleges may reduce or increase full-time tuition fees for all students other than resident undergraduates, including summer school students and students in other self-supporting degree programs. Percentage increases in full-time

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tuition fees may exceed the fiscal growth factor. Reductions or increases may be made for all or portions of an institution's programs, campuses, courses, or students.

- (4) ((Academic year tuition for full-time students at the state's institutions of higher education beginning with 2009-10, other than summer term, shall be as charged during the 2008-09 academic year unless different rates are adopted by the legislature.
- (5)) The tuition fees established under this chapter shall not apply to high school students enrolling in participating institutions of higher education under RCW 28A.600.300 through 28A.600.400.
- ((+6))) (5) The tuition fees established under this chapter shall not apply to eligible students enrolling in a community or technical college under RCW 28C.04.610.
- ((+7))) (6) The tuition fees established under this chapter shall not apply to eligible students enrolling in a community or technical college participating in the pilot program under RCW 28B.50.534 for the purpose of obtaining a high school diploma.
- ((+8))) (7) For the academic years 2003-04 through 2008-09, the University of Washington shall use an amount equivalent to ten percent of all revenues received as a result of law school tuition increases beginning in academic year 2000-01 through academic year 2008-09 to assist needy low and middle_income resident law students.
- ((+9+)) (8) For the academic years 2003-04 through 2008-09, institutions of higher education shall use an amount equivalent to ten percent of all revenues received as a result of graduate academic school tuition increases beginning in academic year 2003-04 through academic year 2008-09 to assist needy low and middle-income resident graduate academic students.

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