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1 AN ACT Relating to collective bargaining for postdoctoral
2 researchers at certain state universities; and adding a new section to
3 chapter 41.56 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 41.56 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) In addition to the entities listed in RCW 41.56.020, this
8 chapter applies to:

9 (a) The University of Washington with respect to postdoctoral
10 researchers in a classification in subsection (2) of this section on
11 any University of Washington campus; and

12 (b) Washington State University with respect to postdoctoral
13 researchers in a classification in subsection (3) of this section on
14 any Washington State University campus.

15 (2) The employees in this subsection constitute an appropriate
16 bargaining unit at the University of Washington:

17 (a) Research associate;

18 (b) Research associate trainee;

19 (c) Senior fellow;

1 (d) Senior fellow trainee; and

2 (e) All employees whose duties and responsibilities are
3 substantially equivalent to those employees in (a) through (d) of this
4 subsection.

5 (3) The employees in this subsection constitute an appropriate
6 bargaining unit at Washington State University:

7 (a) Postdoctoral research associate; and

8 (b) All employees whose duties and responsibilities are
9 substantially equivalent to those employees in (a) of this subsection.

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