
HOUSE BILL 2006

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1 AN ACT Relating to international trade education; adding a new
2 chapter to Title 28B RCW; and making an appropriation.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that international
5 trade is important to the economic future of the state of Washington.
6 The legislature further finds that it is essential that there be a
7 comprehensive program of international trade education at the
8 undergraduate level available to Washington residents. It is the
9 intent of the legislature to encourage the development of international
10 trade education by supporting these efforts at public and private
11 institutions of higher education in the state of Washington.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** Unless the context clearly requires
13 otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this
14 chapter.

15 (1) "Board" means the higher education coordinating board.

16 (2) "Institution of higher education" means a college or university
17 in the state of Washington that is accredited by an accrediting
18 association recognized as such by rule of the board.

1 (3) "Consortium" means the Washington international trade education
2 consortium.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** (1) The Washington international trade
4 education consortium is created in the office of the higher education
5 coordinating board.

6 (2) The initial membership of the consortium may include, but need
7 not be limited to:

8 (a) Representatives of the higher education coordinating board;

9 (b) A representative of the department of community, trade, and
10 economic development;

11 (c) Representatives of institutions of higher education;

12 (d) Representatives of the business community who are involved in
13 international trade activities; and

14 (e) Representatives of organizations dedicated to international
15 trade.

16 (3) When members leave the consortium, any replacements shall be
17 selected by the board.

18 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** If funds are available, the consortium shall
19 promote and encourage international trade education at the state's
20 public and private institutions of higher education. To meet the
21 objectives of this section, the duties of the consortium may include,
22 but need not be limited to:

23 (1) Disseminating information and implementing programs on
24 international trade;

25 (2) Assessing the needs of the state's businesses for international
26 trade education and developing educational programs to meet those
27 needs;

28 (3) Developing a data base on available training in the area of
29 international trade;

30 (4) Providing support to an institution of higher education that
31 offers a program or courses in international trade education; and

32 (5) Undertaking other duties as assigned.

33 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** The Washington international trade education
34 endowment fund is established. The endowment fund shall be
35 administered by the state treasurer. Moneys received from private
36 donations, appropriations by the legislature that are matched on an

1 equal basis with private cash donations, and funds received from any
2 other source may be deposited into the endowment fund. At the request
3 of the board, the treasurer shall release earnings from the endowment
4 fund to the board for purposes of this chapter. No appropriation is
5 required for expenditures from the endowment fund. The principal of
6 the endowment fund shall not be invaded.

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** The board may request that the state
8 treasurer deposit state matching funds into the Washington
9 international trade education endowment fund when the board can match
10 the state funds with an equal amount of private cash donations,
11 including conditional gifts.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 7.** The sum of one million dollars, or as much
13 thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for the biennium ending
14 June 30, 1997, from the general fund to the higher education
15 coordinating board for the purposes of section 6 of this act.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 8.** Sections 1 through 6 of this act shall
17 constitute a new chapter in Title 28B RCW.

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