
HOUSE BILL 2303

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1 AN ACT Relating to a tuition variance pilot program; amending RCW
2 28B.15.067 and 28B.15.066; and adding a new section to chapter 28B.15
3 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 28B.15 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 The baccalaureate institutions of higher education, in cooperation
8 with the higher education coordinating board, may engage in a tuition
9 variance pilot project, subject to the following conditions:

10 (1) During the 1996-97 academic year, if the conditions of
11 subsection (3) of this section are met, each state university, regional
12 university, and state college may increase or decrease the tuition fees
13 rates mandated in RCW 28B.15.067 up to fifteen percent for students
14 enrolled in up to three degree programs.

15 (2) During the 1997-98 academic year, if the conditions of
16 subsection (3) of this section are met, each state university, regional
17 university, and state college may increase or decrease any statutorily
18 mandated tuition fees rates by up to fifteen percent for students
19 enrolled in up to three degree programs.

1 (3) Any institution exercising the authority granted in subsections
2 (1) and (2) of this section shall meet the following conditions:

3 (a) Before students are charged the differential rate, the higher
4 education coordinating board shall approve the variance in tuition fees
5 rates;

6 (b) Any revenue raised by exercising the authority granted in this
7 section shall be expended in the respective degree programs in which
8 the revenue was raised; and

9 (c) By October 1997, report to the higher education coordinating
10 board on the results of the tuition variance pilot project.

11 By January 5, 1998, the higher education coordinating board shall
12 report on the results of the pilot project to the governor and
13 appropriate committees of the legislature. The report shall include a
14 recommendation on whether to eliminate, continue, or expand the tuition
15 variance authority.

16 **Sec. 2.** RCW 28B.15.067 and 1995 1st sp.s. c 9 s 4 are each amended
17 to read as follows:

18 (1) Tuition fees shall be established under the provisions of this
19 chapter.

20 (2) Academic year tuition for full-time students at the state's
21 institutions of higher education for the 1995-96 academic year, other
22 than the summer term, shall be as provided in this subsection.

23 (a) At the University of Washington and Washington State
24 University:

25 (i) For resident undergraduate students and other resident students
26 not in graduate study programs or enrolled in programs leading to the
27 degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental surgery, and doctor of
28 veterinary medicine, two thousand seven hundred sixty-four dollars;

29 (ii) For nonresident undergraduate students and other nonresident
30 students not in graduate study programs or enrolled in programs leading
31 to the degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental surgery, and
32 doctor of veterinary medicine, eight thousand two hundred sixty-eight
33 dollars;

34 (iii) For resident graduate and law students not enrolled in
35 programs leading to the degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental
36 surgery, and doctor of veterinary medicine, four thousand four hundred
37 ninety dollars;

1 (iv) For nonresident graduate and law students not enrolled in
2 programs leading to the degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental
3 surgery, and doctor of veterinary medicine, eleven thousand six hundred
4 thirty-four dollars;

5 (v) For resident students enrolled in programs leading to the
6 degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental surgery, and doctor of
7 veterinary medicine, seven thousand four hundred ninety-seven dollars;
8 and

9 (vi) For nonresident students enrolled in programs leading to the
10 degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental surgery, and doctor of
11 veterinary medicine, nineteen thousand four hundred thirty-one dollars.

12 (b) At the regional universities and The Evergreen State College:

13 (i) For resident undergraduate and all other resident students not
14 in graduate study programs, two thousand forty-five dollars;

15 (ii) For nonresident undergraduate and all other nonresident
16 students not in graduate study programs, seven thousand nine hundred
17 ninety-two dollars;

18 (iii) For resident graduate students, three thousand four hundred
19 forty-three dollars; and

20 (iv) For nonresident graduate students, eleven thousand seventy-one
21 dollars.

22 (c) At the community colleges:

23 (i) For resident students, one thousand two hundred twelve dollars;
24 and

25 (ii) For nonresident students, five thousand one hundred sixty-two
26 dollars and fifty cents.

27 (3) Except as provided in section 1 of this act, academic year
28 tuition for full-time students at the state's institutions of higher
29 education beginning with the 1996-97 academic year, other than the
30 summer term, shall be as provided in this subsection.

31 (a) At the University of Washington and Washington State
32 University:

33 (i) For resident undergraduate students and other resident students
34 not in graduate study programs or enrolled in programs leading to the
35 degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental surgery, and doctor of
36 veterinary medicine, two thousand eight hundred seventy-five dollars;

37 (ii) For nonresident undergraduate students and other nonresident
38 students not in graduate study programs or enrolled in programs leading
39 to the degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental surgery, and

1 doctor of veterinary medicine, eight thousand five hundred ninety-nine
2 dollars;

3 (iii) For resident graduate and law students not enrolled in
4 programs leading to the degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental
5 surgery, and doctor of veterinary medicine, four thousand six hundred
6 sixty-nine dollars;

7 (iv) For nonresident graduate and law students not enrolled in
8 programs leading to the degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental
9 surgery, and doctor of veterinary medicine, twelve thousand one hundred
10 dollars;

11 (v) For resident students enrolled in programs leading to the
12 degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental surgery, and doctor of
13 veterinary medicine, seven thousand seven hundred ninety-seven dollars;
14 and

15 (vi) For nonresident students enrolled in programs leading to the
16 degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental surgery, and doctor of
17 veterinary medicine, twenty thousand two hundred nine dollars.

18 (b) At the regional universities and The Evergreen State College:

19 (i) For resident undergraduate and all other resident students not
20 in graduate study programs, two thousand one hundred twenty-seven
21 dollars;

22 (ii) For nonresident undergraduate and all other nonresident
23 students not in graduate study programs, eight thousand three hundred
24 twelve dollars;

25 (iii) For resident graduate students, three thousand five hundred
26 eighty-one dollars; and

27 (iv) For nonresident graduate students, eleven thousand five
28 hundred fourteen dollars.

29 (c) At the community colleges:

30 (i) For resident students, one thousand two hundred sixty-one
31 dollars; and

32 (ii) For nonresident students, five thousand three hundred sixty-
33 nine dollars and fifty cents.

34 (4) The tuition fees established under this chapter shall not apply
35 to high school students enrolling in community colleges under RCW
36 28A.600.300 through 28A.600.395.

37 **Sec. 3.** RCW 28B.15.066 and 1995 1st sp.s. c 9 s 3 are each amended
38 to read as follows:

1 It is the intent of the legislature that:

2 In making appropriations from the state's general fund to
3 institutions of higher education, each appropriation shall conform to
4 the following:

5 (1) The appropriation shall not be reduced by the amount of
6 operating fees revenue estimated to be collected from students enrolled
7 at the state-funded enrollment level specified in the omnibus biennial
8 operating appropriations act;

9 (2) The appropriation shall not be reduced by the amount of
10 operating fees revenue collected from students enrolled above the
11 state-funded level, but within the over-enrollment limitations,
12 specified in the omnibus biennial operating appropriations act; ((and))

13 (3) The general fund state appropriation shall not be reduced by
14 the amount of operating fees revenue collected as a result of waiving
15 less operating fees revenue than the amounts authorized under RCW
16 28B.15.910; and

17 (4) The general fund state appropriation shall not be reduced by
18 the amount of operating fees revenue collected or foregone as a result
19 of exercising the authority granted in section 1 of this act.

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