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SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2293

54th Legislature 1996 Regular Session

Passed by the House March 2, 1996 CERTIFICATE Yeas 82 Nays 8 I, Timothy A. Martin, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SECOND** SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2293 as passed Speaker of the by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set House of Representatives forth. Passed by the Senate February 29, 1996 Yeas 40 Nays 9 President of the Senate Chief Clerk Approved FILED Secretary of State

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By House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Carlson, Jacobsen, Murray and Chopp)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to higher education fiscal matters; amending RCW
- 2 28B.15.031 and 28B.15.615; adding a new section to chapter 28B.15 RCW;
- 3 and declaring an emergency.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.15 RCW 6 to read as follows:
- 7 (1) The governing board of each of the state universities, the
- 8 regional universities, and The Evergreen State College, upon the
- 9 written agreement of its respective student government association or
- 10 its equivalent, may establish and charge each enrolled student a
- 11 technology fee, separate from tuition fees. During the 1996-97
- 12 academic year, any technology fee shall not exceed one hundred twenty
- 13 dollars for a full-time student. Any technology fee charged to a part-
- 14 time student shall be calculated as a pro rata share of the fee charged
- 15 to a full-time student.
- 16 (2) Revenue from this fee shall be used exclusively for technology
- 17 resources for general student use.
- 18 (3) Only changes in the amount of the student technology fee agreed
- 19 upon by both the governing board and its respective student government

- 1 association or its equivalent shall be used to adjust the amount 2 charged to students. Changes in the amount charged to students, once 3 implemented, become the basis for future changes.
- 4 (4) Annually, the student government association or its equivalent 5 may abolish the fee by a majority vote. In the event of such a vote, 6 the student government association or its equivalent shall notify the 7 governing board of the institution. The fee shall cease being 8 collected the term after the student government association or its 9 equivalent voted to eliminate the fee.
- 10 (5) The student government association or its equivalent shall 11 approve the annual expenditure plan for the fee revenue.
- 12 (6) The universities and The Evergreen State College shall deposit 13 three and one-half percent of revenues from the technology fee into the 14 institutional financial aid fund under RCW 28B.15.820.
- 15 (7) As used in this section, "technology fee" is a fee charged to 16 students to recover, in whole or in part, the costs of providing and 17 maintaining services to students that include, but need not be limited 18 to: Access to the internet and world wide web, e-mail, computer and 19 multimedia work stations and laboratories, computer software, and dial-20 up telephone services.
- 21 (8) Prior to the establishment of a technology fee, a governing 22 board shall provide to the student governing body a list of existing 23 fees of a similar nature or for a similar purpose. The board and the 24 student governing body shall ensure that student fees for technology 25 are not duplicative.
- Sec. 2. RCW 28B.15.031 and 1995 1st sp.s. c 9 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

The term "operating fees" as used in this chapter shall include the 28 29 fees, other than building fees, charged all students registering at the 30 state's colleges and universities but shall not include fees for short courses, self-supporting degree credit programs and courses, marine 31 station work, experimental station work, correspondence or extension 32 33 courses, and individual instruction and student deposits or rentals, 34 disciplinary and library fines, which colleges and universities shall have the right to impose, laboratory, gymnasium, health, technology and 35 36 student activity fees, or fees, charges, rentals, and other income derived from any or all revenue producing lands, buildings and 37 facilities of the colleges or universities heretofore or hereafter 38

- 1 acquired, constructed or installed, including but not limited to income
- 2 from rooms, dormitories, dining rooms, hospitals, infirmaries, housing
- 3 or student activity buildings, vehicular parking facilities, land, or
- 4 the appurtenances thereon, or such other special fees as may be
- 5 established by any college or university board of trustees or regents
- 6 from time to time. All moneys received as operating fees at any
- 7 institution of higher education shall be deposited in a local account
- 8 containing only operating fees revenue and related interest: PROVIDED,
- 9 That a minimum of three and one-half percent of operating fees shall be
- 10 retained by the institutions, except the technical colleges, for the
- 11 purposes of RCW 28B.15.820. Local operating fee accounts shall not be
- 12 subject to appropriation by the legislature or allotment procedures
- 13 under chapter 43.88 RCW.
- 14 **Sec. 3.** RCW 28B.15.615 and 1993 sp.s. c 18 s 23 are each amended
- 15 to read as follows:
- Subject to the limitations of RCW 28B.15.910, the governing boards
- 17 of the state universities and the regional universities may exempt the
- 18 following students from paying all or a portion of the resident
- 19 operating fee and the technology fee: Students granted a graduate
- 20 service appointment, designated as such by the institution, involving
- 21 not less than twenty hours of work per week. The exemption shall be
- 22 for the term of the appointment. ((The stipend paid to persons holding
- 23 graduate student appointments from nonstate funds shall be reduced and
- 24 the institution reimbursed from such funds in an amount equal to the
- 25 resident operating fee which funds shall be transmitted to the general
- 26 fund.))
- 27 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 4.** If any provision of this act or its
- 28 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the
- 29 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other
- 30 persons or circumstances is not affected.
- 31 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 5.** This act is necessary for the immediate
- 32 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
- 33 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
- 34 effect immediately.