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**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5162**

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**By** Senate Committee on Higher Education (originally sponsored by Senators Bauer, Oke, Snyder, Hargrove, Haugen, Kohl, C. Anderson and Winsley)

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1 AN ACT Relating to tuition exemptions for veterans; and amending  
2 RCW 28B.15.620.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28B.15.620 and 1994 c 208 s 1 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 (1) Subject to the limitations of RCW 28B.15.910, the governing  
7 boards of the state universities, the regional universities, The  
8 Evergreen State College, and the community colleges may exempt veterans  
9 of the Vietnam conflict who have served in the southeast Asia theater  
10 of operations from the payment of ~~((all or a portion of))~~ any increase  
11 in tuition and fees that occur after October 1, 1977, if the veteran  
12 qualifies as a resident student under RCW 28B.15.012~~((7))~~ and was  
13 enrolled in state institutions of higher education on or before May 7,  
14 1990~~((7, and meets the requirements of subsection (2) of this section))~~.

15 (2) ~~((Beginning with the fall academic term of 1994, veterans  
16 receiving the exemption under subsection (1) of this section must meet  
17 these additional requirements:))~~

1       ~~(a) Remain continuously enrolled for seven or more quarter credits~~  
2 ~~per academic term or their equivalent, except summer term and not~~  
3 ~~including community service courses;~~

4       ~~(b) Have an adjusted gross family income as most recently reported~~  
5 ~~to the internal revenue service that does not exceed Washington state's~~  
6 ~~median family income as established by the federal bureau of the~~  
7 ~~census; and~~

8       ~~(c) Have exhausted all entitlement to federal vocational or~~  
9 ~~educational benefits conferred by virtue of their military service.~~

10       ~~(3))~~ For the purposes of this section, "veterans of the Vietnam  
11 conflict" shall be those persons who have been on active federal  
12 service as a member of the armed military or navel forces of the United  
13 States between a period commencing August 5, 1964, and ending on May 7,  
14 1975.

15       ~~((4))~~ (3) This section shall expire June 30, 1997.

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