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

16 (2) Beginning with the fall academic term of 1994, veterans  
17 receiving the exemption under subsection (1) of this section must meet  
18 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; and

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) This section shall expire June 30, 1997.

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