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By Senators Wood, Bauer, Kohl, Loveland, McAuliffe, Finkbeiner, Morton, Winsley, Franklin, Sellar, Long and C. Anderson

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1 AN ACT Relating to the governing board of the state's higher
2 education institutions; amending RCW 28B.20.100, 28B.30.100, and
3 28B.35.100; adding a new section to chapter 28B.20 RCW; adding a new
4 section to chapter 28B.30 RCW; and providing an effective date.

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

6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28B.20.100 and 1985 c 61 s 1 are each amended to read
7 as follows:

8 (1) The governance of the University of Washington shall be vested
9 in a board of regents to consist of ((nine)) eleven members, two of
10 whom shall be students. They shall be appointed by the governor with
11 the consent of the senate, and, except for the two student members,
12 shall hold their offices for a term of six years from the first day of
13 October and until their successors shall be appointed and qualified.
14 ((Five)) The two student members shall hold their offices for a term of
15 two years from the first day of August until their successors are
16 appointed and qualified.

17 (2) Six members of said board shall constitute a quorum for the
18 transaction of business. In the case of a vacancy, or when an
19 appointment is made after the date of the expiration of a term, the

1 governor shall fill the vacancy for the remainder of the term of the
2 regent whose office has become vacant or expired.

3 (3) Except for the terms of the two student members, no more than
4 the terms of two members will expire simultaneously on the last day of
5 September in any one year. The terms of the two student members expire
6 simultaneously on the last day of July every two years.

7 (4) Students nominated for appointment shall be enrolled full time
8 and in good academic standing at the time of nomination and at the time
9 of appointment.

10 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 28B.20 RCW
11 to read as follows:

12 One member of the board shall be a full-time student in the
13 undergraduate program, and one member shall be a full-time student in
14 a graduate or professional program at the university.

15 **Sec. 3.** RCW 28B.30.100 and 1985 c 61 s 2 are each amended to read
16 as follows:

17 (1) The governance of Washington State University shall be vested
18 in a board of regents to consist of ((nine)) eleven members, two of
19 whom shall be student members. They shall be appointed by the
20 governor, by and with the consent of the senate and, except for the two
21 student members, shall hold their offices for a term of six years from
22 the first day of October and until their successors are appointed and
23 qualified. ((Five)) The two student members shall hold their offices
24 for a term of two years from the first day of August and until their
25 successors are appointed and qualified.

26 (2) Six members of said board shall constitute a quorum for the
27 transaction of business. In the case of a vacancy or when an
28 appointment is made after the date of the expiration of a term, the
29 governor shall fill the vacancy for the remainder of the term of the
30 regent whose office has become vacant or expired.

31 (3) Except for the terms of the two student members, no more than
32 the terms of two members will expire simultaneously on the last day of
33 September in any one year. The terms of the two student members expire
34 simultaneously on the last day of July every two years.

35 (4) Students nominated for appointment shall be enrolled full time
36 and in good academic standing at the time of nomination and the time of
37 appointment.

1 Each regent shall, before entering upon the discharge of his
2 respective duties as such, execute a good and sufficient bond to the
3 state of Washington, with two or more sufficient sureties, residents of
4 the state, or with a surety company licensed to do business within the
5 state, in the penal sum of not less than five thousand dollars,
6 conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties as such regent:
7 PROVIDED, That the university shall pay any fees incurred for any such
8 bonds for their board members.

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.30 RCW
10 to read as follows:

11 One member of the board shall be a full-time student in the
12 undergraduate program, and one member shall be a full-time student in
13 the graduate or professional program at the university.

14 **Sec. 5.** RCW 28B.35.100 and 1985 c 137 s 1 are each amended to read
15 as follows:

16 (1) The governance of each of the regional universities shall be
17 vested in a board of trustees consisting of ((seven)) eight members,
18 one of whom shall be a full-time student in the undergraduate program
19 of the respective regional university. ((They)) The members shall be
20 appointed by the governor with the consent of the senate ((and)).
21 Except for the student member, the members shall hold their offices for
22 a term of six years from the first day of October and until their
23 successors are appointed and qualified. The student member shall hold
24 office for a term of two years from the first day of August and until
25 a successor is appointed and qualified. In case of a vacancy, or when
26 an appointment is made after the date of expiration of the term, the
27 governor shall fill the vacancy for the remainder of the term of the
28 trustee whose office has become vacant or expired.

29 (2) Except for the term of the student member, no more than the
30 terms of two members will expire simultaneously on the last day of
31 September in any one year. The term of the student member expires on
32 the last day of July every two years.

33 (3) Students nominated for appointment shall be enrolled full time
34 and in good academic standing at the time of nomination and the time of
35 appointment.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** This act shall take effect August 1, 1995.

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