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**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1460**

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**State of Washington**

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**By** House Committee on Higher Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Huff and Carlson)

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1 AN ACT Relating to higher education tuition; amending RCW  
2 28B.15.067; adding a new section to chapter 28B.15 RCW; and creating a  
3 new section.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** Tuition rates currently charged for students  
6 enrolled in programs leading to a first-professional law degree are  
7 significantly below the average rates charged at comparable  
8 institutions across the nation. It is the intent of the legislature to  
9 charge competitive tuition rates for first-professional law students.  
10 Sections 2 and 3 of this act establish a six-year phase-in period to  
11 achieve competitive tuition rates for first-professional law students  
12 with rates for those students at comparable institutions of higher  
13 education.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.15 RCW  
15 to read as follows:

16 The higher education coordinating board shall maintain listings of  
17 comparable institutions for each of the research universities.

1       **Sec. 3.** RCW 28B.15.067 and 1996 c 212 s 1 are each amended to read  
2 as follows:

3       (1) Tuition fees shall be established under the provisions of this  
4 chapter.

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

8       (a) At the University of Washington and Washington State  
9 University:

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

14       (ii) For nonresident undergraduate students and other nonresident  
15 students not in graduate study programs or enrolled in programs leading  
16 to the degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental surgery, and  
17 doctor of veterinary medicine, eight thousand two hundred sixty-eight  
18 dollars;

19       (iii) For resident graduate and law students not enrolled in  
20 programs leading to the degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental  
21 surgery, and doctor of veterinary medicine, four thousand four hundred  
22 ninety dollars;

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

27       (v) For resident students enrolled in programs leading to the  
28 degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental surgery, and doctor of  
29 veterinary medicine, seven thousand four hundred ninety-seven dollars;  
30 and

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

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

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

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

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

3 (iv) For nonresident graduate students, eleven thousand seventy-one  
4 dollars.

5 (c) At the community colleges:

6 (i) For resident students, one thousand two hundred twelve dollars;  
7 and

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

10 (3) Academic year tuition for full-time students at the state's  
11 institutions of higher education beginning with the 1996-97 academic  
12 year, other than the summer term, shall be as provided in this  
13 subsection.

14 (a) At the University of Washington and Washington State  
15 University:

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

20 (ii) For nonresident undergraduate students and other nonresident  
21 students not in graduate study programs or enrolled in programs leading  
22 to the degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental surgery, and  
23 doctor of veterinary medicine, nine thousand four hundred ninety-one  
24 dollars;

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

29 (iv) For nonresident graduate and law students not enrolled in  
30 programs leading to the degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental  
31 surgery, and doctor of veterinary medicine, twelve thousand one hundred  
32 dollars;

33 (v) For resident students enrolled in programs leading to the  
34 degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental surgery, and doctor of  
35 veterinary medicine, seven thousand seven hundred ninety-seven dollars;  
36 and

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

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

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

5 (ii) For nonresident undergraduate and all other nonresident  
6 students not in graduate study programs, eight thousand three hundred  
7 twelve dollars;

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

10 (iv) For nonresident graduate students, eleven thousand five  
11 hundred fourteen dollars.

12 (c) At the community colleges:

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

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

17 (4) Academic year tuition at the state's institutions of higher  
18 education for full-time nonresident students enrolled in first-  
19 professional law programs, other than the summer term, shall be as  
20 provided in this subsection. At least ten percent of the revenue  
21 received from the difference in rates for tuition fees for students  
22 enrolled in first-professional law programs and students enrolled in  
23 graduate study programs shall be used to assist needy resident students  
24 enrolled in first-professional law programs. This requirement is in  
25 addition to the deposit requirements of the institutional financial aid  
26 fund under RCW 28B.15.820.

27 (a) In academic year 1997-98, thirteen thousand fifty dollars.

28 (b) In academic year 1998-99, fourteen thousand one dollars.

29 (c) In academic year 1999-2000, fourteen thousand nine hundred  
30 fifty-two dollars.

31 (d) In academic year 2000-01, fifteen thousand nine hundred three  
32 dollars.

33 (e) In academic year 2001-02, sixteen thousand eight hundred fifty-  
34 four dollars.

35 (f) In academic year 2002-03, seventeen thousand eight hundred five  
36 dollars.

37 (5) The tuition fees established under this chapter shall not apply  
38 to high school students enrolling in community colleges under RCW  
39 28A.600.300 through 28A.600.395.

1        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 4.**    If any provision of this act or its  
2 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the  
3 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other  
4 persons or circumstances is not affected.

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