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HOUSE BILL 2193

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By Representatives Carlson, D. Sommers, Gombosky, Benson and Mielke; by request of Joint Center for Higher Education

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to the joint center for higher education
- 2 transportation and parking fees and higher education parking fees; and
- 3 amending RCW 28B.130.020 and 43.01.236.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28B.130.020 and 1993 c 447 s 3 are each amended to 6 read as follows:
- 7 The governing board of an institution of higher education as
- 8 defined in RCW 28B.10.016 and the joint center for higher education may
- 9 impose either a voluntary or a mandatory transportation fee on
- 10 employees and on students at the institution. The transportation fee
- 11 shall be used solely to fund transportation demand management programs
- 12 that reduce the demand for campus and neighborhood parking, and promote
- 13 alternatives to single-occupant vehicle driving. If the board charges
- 14 a mandatory transportation fee to students, it shall charge a mandatory
- 15 transportation fee to employees. The transportation fee for employees
- 16 may exceed, but shall not be lower than the transportation fee charged
- 17 to students. The transportation fee for employees may be deducted from
- 18 the employees' paychecks. The transportation fee for students may be
- 19 imposed annually, or each academic term. For students attending

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- 1 community colleges and technical colleges, the mandatory transportation
- 2 fee shall not exceed sixty percent of the maximum rate permitted for
- 3 services and activities fees at community colleges, unless, through a
- 4 vote, a majority of students consent to increase the transportation
- 5 fee. For students attending four-year institutions of higher
- 6 education, the mandatory transportation fee shall not exceed thirty-
- 7 five percent of the maximum rate permitted for services and activities
- 8 fees at the institution unless, through a vote, a majority of students
- 9 consents to increase the transportation fee. The board may make a
- 10 limited number of exceptions to the fee based on a policy adopted by
- 11 the board.
- 12 **Sec. 2.** RCW 43.01.236 and 1995 c 215 s 5 are each amended to read
- 13 as follows:
- 14 All institutions of higher education as defined under RCW
- 15 28B.10.016 and the joint center for higher education are exempt from
- 16 the requirements under RCW ((43.01.225)) 43.01.240.

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