CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1977

Chapter 63, Laws of 1998

55th Legislature
1998 Regular Session

RUNNING START--ATTENDANCE IN OUT-OF-STATE COLLEGES

EFFECTIVE DATE: 6/11/98

Passed by the House February 10, 1998
Yeas 95  Nays 1

CLYDE BALLARD
Speaker of the
House of Representatives

Passed by the Senate March 3, 1998
Yeas 44  Nays 4

BRAD OWEN
President of the Senate

Approved March 20, 1998

CERTIFICATE

I, Timothy A. Martin, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1977 as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

TIMOTHY A. MARTIN
Chief Clerk

GARY LOCKE
Governor of the State of Washington

Secretary of State
State of Washington
1 AN ACT Relating to high school students’ options; adding a new
2 section to chapter 28A.600 RCW; and creating a new section.
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4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
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6 NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The legislature finds that students may have
7 difficulty attending community college for the purpose of the running
8 start program due to the distance of the nearest community college. In
9 these cases, it may be more advantageous for students in border
10 counties to attend community colleges in neighboring states. The
11 legislature encourages school districts to pursue interagency
12 agreements with community colleges in neighboring states when it is in
13 the best interests of the student’s educational progress.
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15 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 28A.600
16 RCW to read as follows:
17 (1) School districts in Washington and community colleges in Oregon
18 and Idaho may enter into cooperative agreements under chapter 39.34 RCW
19 for the purpose of allowing eleventh and twelfth grade students who are
20 enrolled in the school districts to earn high school and college credit
21 concurrently.
(2) Except as provided in subsection (3) of this section, if a school district exercises the authority granted in subsection (1) of this section, the provisions of RCW 28A.600.310 through 28A.600.360 and 28A.600.380 through 28A.600.400 shall apply to the agreements.

(3) A school district may enter an agreement in which the community college agrees to accept an amount less than the state-wide uniform rate under RCW 28A.600.310(2) if the community college does not charge participating students tuition and fees. A school district may not pay a per-credit rate in excess of the state-wide uniform rate under RCW 28A.600.310(2).

(4) To the extent feasible, the agreements shall permit participating students to attend the community college without paying any tuition and fees. The agreements shall not permit the community college to charge participating students nonresident tuition and fee rates.

(5) The agreements shall ensure that participating students are permitted to enroll only in courses that are transferable to one or more institutions of higher education as defined in RCW 28B.10.016.

Approved by the Governor March 20, 1998.
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