
SENATE BILL 6736

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By Senator Shin

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1 AN ACT Relating to tuition-setting authority at institutions of
2 higher education; and amending RCW 28B.15.031, 28B.15.066, and
3 28B.15.067.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28B.15.031 and 1996 c 142 s 2 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 The term "operating fees" as used in this chapter shall include the
8 fees, other than building fees, charged all students registering at the
9 state's colleges and universities but shall not include fees for short
10 courses, self-supporting degree credit programs and courses, marine
11 station work, experimental station work, correspondence or extension
12 courses, and individual instruction and student deposits or rentals,
13 disciplinary and library fines, which colleges and universities shall
14 have the right to impose, laboratory, gymnasium, health, technology and
15 student activity fees, or fees, charges, rentals, and other income
16 derived from any or all revenue producing lands, buildings and
17 facilities of the colleges or universities heretofore or hereafter
18 acquired, constructed or installed, including but not limited to income
19 from rooms, dormitories, dining rooms, hospitals, infirmaries, housing

1 or student activity buildings, vehicular parking facilities, land, or
2 the appurtenances thereon, or such other special fees as may be
3 established by any college or university board of trustees or regents
4 from time to time. All moneys received as operating fees at any
5 institution of higher education shall be deposited in a local account
6 containing only operating fees revenue and related interest: PROVIDED,
7 That a minimum of three and one-half percent of operating fees shall be
8 retained by the institutions(~~(, except the technical colleges,)~~) for
9 the purposes of RCW 28B.15.820. Local operating fee accounts shall not
10 be subject to appropriation by the legislature or allotment procedures
11 under chapter 43.88 RCW.

12 **Sec. 2.** RCW 28B.15.066 and 2000 c 152 s 2 are each amended to read
13 as follows:

14 It is the intent of the legislature that:

15 In making appropriations from the state's general fund to
16 institutions of higher education, each appropriation shall conform to
17 the following:

18 (1) The appropriation shall not be reduced by the amount of
19 operating fees revenue estimated to be collected from students enrolled
20 at the state-funded enrollment level specified in the omnibus biennial
21 operating appropriations act;

22 (2) The appropriation shall not be reduced by the amount of
23 operating fees revenue collected from students enrolled above the
24 state-funded level(~~(, but within the over-enrollment limitations,)~~)
25 specified in the omnibus biennial operating appropriations act; and

26 (3) The general fund state appropriation shall not be reduced by
27 the amount of operating fees revenue collected as a result of waiving
28 less operating fees revenue than the amounts authorized under RCW
29 28B.15.910. State general fund appropriations shall not be provided
30 for revenue foregone as a result of or for waivers granted under RCW
31 28B.15.915.

32 **Sec. 3.** RCW 28B.15.067 and 1997 c 403 s 1 are each amended to read
33 as follows:

34 (1) Tuition fees shall be established under the provisions of this
35 chapter.

1 (2) (~~Academic year tuition for full-time students at the state's~~
2 ~~institutions of higher education for the 1997-98 academic year, other~~
3 ~~than the summer term, shall be as provided in this subsection.~~

4 (a) ~~At the University of Washington and Washington State~~
5 ~~University:~~

6 (i) ~~For resident undergraduate students and other resident students~~
7 ~~not in graduate, law, or first professional programs, two thousand nine~~
8 ~~hundred eighty-eight dollars;~~

9 (ii)(A) ~~For nonresident undergraduate students and other~~
10 ~~nonresident students at the University of Washington not in graduate,~~
11 ~~law, or first professional programs, ten thousand two hundred seventy-~~
12 ~~eight dollars;~~

13 (B) ~~For nonresident undergraduate students and other nonresident~~
14 ~~students at Washington State University not in graduate or first~~
15 ~~professional programs, nine thousand eight hundred seventy dollars;~~

16 (iii) ~~For resident graduate students, four thousand eight hundred~~
17 ~~fifty-four dollars;~~

18 (iv) ~~For nonresident graduate students, twelve thousand five~~
19 ~~hundred eighty-eight dollars;~~

20 (v) ~~For resident law students, five thousand ten dollars;~~

21 (vi) ~~For nonresident law students, twelve thousand nine hundred~~
22 ~~fifteen dollars;~~

23 (vii) ~~For resident first professional students, eight thousand one~~
24 ~~hundred twelve dollars; and~~

25 (viii) ~~For nonresident first professional students, twenty-one~~
26 ~~thousand twenty-four dollars.~~

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

28 (i) ~~For resident undergraduate and all other resident students not~~
29 ~~in graduate programs, two thousand two hundred eleven dollars;~~

30 (ii) ~~For nonresident undergraduate and all other nonresident~~
31 ~~students not in graduate programs, eight thousand six hundred forty-six~~
32 ~~dollars;~~

33 (iii) ~~For resident graduate students, three thousand seven hundred~~
34 ~~twenty-six dollars; and~~

35 (iv) ~~For nonresident graduate students, eleven thousand nine~~
36 ~~hundred seventy-six dollars.~~

37 (c) ~~At the community colleges:~~

38 (i) ~~For resident students, one thousand three hundred eleven~~
39 ~~dollars; and~~

1 ~~(ii) For nonresident students, five thousand five hundred eighty-~~
2 ~~six dollars.~~

3 ~~(3) Academic year tuition for full-time students at the state's~~
4 ~~institutions of higher education beginning with the 1998-99 academic~~
5 ~~year, other than the summer term, shall be as provided in this~~
6 ~~subsection unless different rates are adopted in the omnibus~~
7 ~~appropriations act.~~

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, law, or first professional programs, three thousand~~
12 ~~one hundred eight dollars;~~

13 ~~(ii)(A) For nonresident undergraduate students and other~~
14 ~~nonresident students at the University of Washington not in graduate,~~
15 ~~law, or first professional programs, eleven thousand one hundred thirty~~
16 ~~dollars;~~

17 ~~(B) For nonresident undergraduate students and other nonresident~~
18 ~~students at Washington State University not in graduate or first~~
19 ~~professional programs, ten thousand two hundred sixty-six dollars;~~

20 ~~(iii) For resident graduate students, five thousand forty-six~~
21 ~~dollars;~~

22 ~~(iv) For nonresident graduate students, thirteen thousand ninety-~~
23 ~~two dollars;~~

24 ~~(v) For resident law students, five thousand three hundred seventy-~~
25 ~~six dollars;~~

26 ~~(vi) For nonresident law students, thirteen thousand seven hundred~~
27 ~~eighty-two dollars;~~

28 ~~(vii) For resident first professional students, eight thousand four~~
29 ~~hundred thirty-six dollars; and~~

30 ~~(viii) For nonresident first professional students, twenty-one~~
31 ~~thousand eight hundred sixty-four dollars.~~

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

33 ~~(i) For resident undergraduate and all other resident students not~~
34 ~~in graduate programs, two thousand two hundred ninety-eight dollars;~~

35 ~~(ii) For nonresident undergraduate and all other nonresident~~
36 ~~students not in graduate programs, eight thousand nine hundred ninety-~~
37 ~~one dollars;~~

38 ~~(iii) For resident graduate students, three thousand eight hundred~~
39 ~~seventy-six dollars; and~~

1 ~~(iv) For nonresident graduate students, twelve thousand four~~
2 ~~hundred fifty six dollars.~~

3 ~~(c) At the community colleges:~~

4 ~~(i) For resident students, one thousand three hundred sixty two~~
5 ~~dollars; and~~

6 ~~(ii) For nonresident students, five thousand eight hundred eight~~
7 ~~dollars.~~

8 ~~(4) For the 1997-98 and 1998-99 academic years, the University of~~
9 ~~Washington shall use at least ten percent of the revenue received from~~
10 ~~the difference between a four percent increase in tuition fees and the~~
11 ~~actual increase charged to law students to assist needy low and middle-~~
12 ~~income resident law students. For the 1997-98 and 1998-99 academic~~
13 ~~years, the University of Washington shall use at least ten percent of~~
14 ~~the revenue received from the difference between a four percent~~
15 ~~increase in tuition fees and the actual increase charged to nonresident~~
16 ~~undergraduate students and all other nonresident students not in~~
17 ~~graduate, law, or first professional programs to assist needy low and~~
18 ~~middle-income resident undergraduate students and all other resident~~
19 ~~students not enrolled in graduate, law, or first professional programs.~~
20 ~~This requirement is in addition to the deposit requirements of the~~
21 ~~institutional aid fund under RCW 28B.15.820.~~

22 ~~(5))~~ For the 2002-03 academic year and each academic year
23 thereafter, the governing boards of the state universities, the
24 regional universities, The Evergreen State College, and the state board
25 for community and technical colleges may reduce or increase full-time
26 tuition fees charged to full-time students, including summer school
27 students. Percentage increases in full-time tuition fees may exceed
28 the fiscal growth factor. Reductions or increases may be made for all
29 or portions of an institution's programs, campuses, courses, or
30 students. Reductions and increases for full-time resident students are
31 limited to no more than nine and two-tenths percent per year.

32 (3) The legislature shall continue to fund the state need grant
33 program to support changes in overall program eligibility, increases in
34 enrollments, and changes in tuition. The legislature shall increase
35 funding for the state need grant program to support annual tuition
36 increases of up to nine and two-tenths percent.

37 (4) For the 2002-03 academic year and each academic year
38 thereafter, the state board for community and technical colleges may
39 increase fees differentially at their discretion.

1 (5) The tuition fees established under this chapter shall not apply
2 to high school students enrolling in participating institutions of
3 higher education under RCW 28A.600.300 through ~~((28A.600.395))~~
4 28A.600.400.

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