

SB 5475 - H COMM AMD
By Committee on Higher Education

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "Sec. 1. RCW 28B.10.115 and 1985 c 218 s 1 are each amended to
4 read as follows:

5 The courses of instruction of both the University of Washington and
6 Washington State University shall embrace as major lines, pharmacy,
7 architecture, civil engineering, (~~electrical engineering,~~) mechanical
8 engineering, chemical engineering, and forest management as
9 distinguished from forest products and logging engineering which are
10 exclusive to the University of Washington. These major lines shall be
11 offered and taught at said institutions only.

12 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 28B.80 RCW
13 to read as follows:

14 (1) This section applies to any amendment to RCW 28B.10.115 after
15 January 1, 2003, that changes the major lines of instruction exclusive
16 to the University of Washington or Washington State University,
17 including the amendments in chapter . . ., Laws of 2003 (this act).

18 (2) If a four-year institution requests approval under RCW
19 28B.80.340 of a new degree program that is the result of legislation
20 enacted to change RCW 28B.10.115, the higher education coordinating
21 board shall conduct an independent analysis using information from a
22 variety of sources as part of the board's review of the proposed
23 program, including but not limited to information submitted by the
24 institution. Such information shall include:

25 (a) Detailed evidence of why the program is justified, including
26 the size and scope of student, employer, and community demand for the
27 program;

28 (b) The feasibility of using existing public or private capacity

1 for the program and comparisons of the state cost of providing existing
2 and proposed capacity. Any institution that offers programs under this
3 section shall comply with all applicable state rules and regulations;

4 (c) Projected future enrollment in the program and substantiation
5 of the enrollment estimates; and

6 (d) Additional information as requested by the board regarding
7 demand, need, and cost-effectiveness of the program.

8 (3) The higher education coordinating board shall submit a complete
9 analysis of a proposed program under this section to the higher
10 education committees of the legislature at least one meeting before
11 making a final determination regarding approval of the program. The
12 board's final action is not contingent on legislative approval."

13 Correct the title.

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