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1 AN ACT Relating to the purchasing authority of institutions of
2 higher education; and amending RCW 28B.10.029.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28B.10.029 and 2010 c 61 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1)(a) An institution of higher education may exercise
7 independently those powers otherwise granted to the director of general
8 administration in chapter 43.19 RCW in connection with the purchase and
9 disposition of all material, supplies, services, and equipment needed
10 for the support, maintenance, and use of the respective institution of
11 higher education.

12 (b) Property disposition policies followed by institutions of
13 higher education shall be consistent with policies followed by the
14 department of general administration.

15 (c) Purchasing policies and procedures followed by institutions of
16 higher education shall be in compliance with chapters 39.19, 39.29, and
17 43.03 RCW, and RCW 43.19.1901, 43.19.1906, 43.19.1911, 43.19.1917,
18 43.19.1937, (~~43.19.534~~) 43.19.685, 43.19.700 through 43.19.704, and
19 43.19.560 through 43.19.637.

1 (d) Purchases under chapter 39.29, 43.19, or 43.105 RCW by
2 institutions of higher education may be made by using contracts for
3 materials, supplies, services, or equipment negotiated or entered into
4 by, for, or through group purchasing organizations.

5 (e) The community and technical colleges shall comply with RCW
6 43.19.450.

7 (f) Except for the University of Washington, institutions of higher
8 education shall comply with RCW 43.41.310, 43.41.290, and 43.41.350.

9 (g) If an institution of higher education can satisfactorily
10 demonstrate to the director of the office of financial management that
11 the cost of compliance is greater than the value of benefits from any
12 of the following statutes, then it shall be exempt from them: RCW
13 43.19.685, (~~43.19.534,~~) and 43.19.637.

14 (h) Any institution of higher education that chooses to exercise
15 independent purchasing authority for a commodity or group of
16 commodities shall notify the director of general administration.
17 Thereafter the director of general administration shall not be required
18 to provide those services for that institution for the duration of the
19 general administration contract term for that commodity or group of
20 commodities.

21 (2) The council of presidents and the state board for community and
22 technical colleges shall convene its correctional industries business
23 development advisory committee, and work collaboratively with
24 correctional industries, to:

25 (a) Reaffirm purchasing criteria and ensure that quality, service,
26 and timely delivery result in the best value for expenditure of state
27 dollars;

28 (b) Update the approved list of correctional industries products
29 from which higher education shall purchase; and

30 (c) Develop recommendations on ways to continue to build
31 correctional industries' business with institutions of higher
32 education.

33 (3) Higher education and correctional industries shall develop a
34 plan to build higher education business with correctional industries to
35 increase higher education purchases of correctional industries
36 products, based upon the criteria established in subsection (2) of this
37 section. The plan shall include the correctional industries'
38 production and sales goals for higher education and an approved list of

1 products from which higher education institutions shall purchase, based
2 on the criteria established in subsection (2) of this section. Higher
3 education and correctional industries shall report to the legislature
4 regarding the plan and its implementation no later than January 30,
5 2005.

6 (4) Institutions of higher education shall set as a target to
7 contract, beginning not later than June 30, 2006, to purchase one
8 percent of the total goods and services required by the institutions
9 each year produced or provided in whole or in part from class II inmate
10 work programs operated by the department of corrections. Institutions
11 of higher education shall set as a target to contract, beginning not
12 later than June 30, 2008, to purchase two percent of the total goods
13 and services required by the institutions each year produced or
14 provided in whole or in part from class II inmate work programs
15 operated by the department of corrections.

16 (5) An institution of higher education may exercise independently
17 those powers otherwise granted to the public printer in chapter 43.78
18 RCW in connection with the production or purchase of any printing and
19 binding needed by the respective institution of higher education.
20 Purchasing policies and procedures followed by institutions of higher
21 education shall be in compliance with chapter 39.19 RCW. Any
22 institution of higher education that chooses to exercise independent
23 printing production or purchasing authority shall notify the public
24 printer. Thereafter the public printer shall not be required to
25 provide those services for that institution.

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