

**HB 2164 - H AMD 858**

By Representatives Pollet, Ybarra

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1 On page 7, after line 13, insert the following:

2 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. The council may utilize its authority to  
3 waive state requirements for institutions participating in interstate  
4 reciprocity agreements for online or distance education if:

5 (1) Such waivers are consistent with federal regulations and  
6 requirements for state authorization pursuant to 34 C.F.R. Sec. 600.2  
7 and 600.9, including preserving Washington's authorization to  
8 administer federal financial aid programs; and

9 (2) The council finds that the institutions' authorizations are  
10 consistent with the council's policies for protection of Washington  
11 resident student consumers."

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13 Correct the title.

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EFFECT: Allows the Washington Student Achievement Council to waive state requirements for institutions participating in interstate reciprocity agreements for online or distance education provided that the waiver is consistent with federal regulations and requirements and that the authorization to operate in Washington is consistent with the council's policies for protection of Washington resident student consumers.

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