
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2030

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By House Committee on Higher Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Spanel, May, Ogden, Fraser, Locke and Paris).

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1 AN ACT Relating to higher education tuition and fee waivers,
2 reduced fees, and residency exemptions; and adding new sections to
3 chapter 28B.15 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** Each state university, regional
6 university, state college, and the community college system shall
7 include a special report on tuition and fee waivers, reduced fee
8 programs, and residency exemptions in its biennial budget request. The
9 report shall include specific data requested by, and in a format
10 designed by, the office of financial management in consultation with
11 the higher education coordinating board. These special reports shall
12 be aggregated and included in the governor's biennial budget document
13 as part of an overview of higher education.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** Prior to enactment, any new or
2 reauthorized waiver, reduced fee, or residency exemption program
3 considered by the legislature shall be evaluated on a set of common
4 criteria. In cooperation with the house of representatives and senate
5 higher education and fiscal committees, the higher education
6 coordinating board shall develop and recommend evaluation criteria for
7 each proposed program. The criteria shall include consideration of a
8 financial needs test. Using the same criteria, the board shall review
9 and evaluate existing waiver, reduced fee, and residency exemption
10 programs. The board shall review each program at least once every ten
11 years. The board shall recommend the continuation, modification, or
12 termination of each program to the governor, the legislature, and the
13 institutions of higher education.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** Any new or reauthorized waiver, reduced
15 fee, or residency exemption program adopted by the legislature shall
16 include a provision for evaluation and reauthorization after an initial
17 term of implementation. The reauthorization provision shall require
18 the program to expire on a specific date unless legislation is enacted
19 to reauthorize the program.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** For any space available waiver program
21 that directs an institution to charge an administrative fee of not less
22 than five dollars, each institution of higher education granting a
23 waiver under the program shall charge an administrative fee that will
24 fully cover the institution's cost of administering a participating
25 student's enrollment. The administrative fee shall be the same for all
26 space available waivers granted by the institution, and shall be
27 charged to all students receiving a space available waiver by the
28 institution.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** Sections 1 through 4 of this act are
2 each added to chapter 28B.15 RCW.