SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5776

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By Senate Higher Education & Workforce Development (originally sponsored by Senators McDermott, Schoesler, Fairley, Oemig, Jarrett, and Kohl-Welles)

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1 AN ACT Relating to student fees, charges, and assessments; and 2 amending RCW 28B.15.610.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28B.15.610 and 1969 ex.s. c 223 s 28B.15.610 are each 5 amended to read as follows:

The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to or affect any 6 7 student fee or charge which the students voluntarily maintain upon 8 themselves for student purposes only. Students are authorized to 9 create or increase voluntary student fees for each academic year when 10 passed by a majority vote of the student government or its equivalent, or referendum presented to the student body or such other process that 11 has been adopted under this section. Notwithstanding RCW 42.17.190 (2) 12 13 and (3), voluntary student fees imposed under this section and services 14 and activities fees may be used for lobbying by a student government association or its equivalent and may also be used to support a 15 16 statewide or national student organization or its equivalent that may engage in lobbying. 17

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