
HOUSE BILL 1847

State of Washington 65th Legislature 2017 Regular Session

By Representatives Halpern, Pollet, Holy, and Farrell

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1 AN ACT Relating to supporting higher education affordability; and
2 adding a new section to chapter 28B.15 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.15
5 RCW to read as follows:

6 It is a goal of the legislature to ensure that state support for
7 the four-year institutions of higher education is at least fifty
8 percent of the total amount of funding the institutions receive from
9 general fund and education legacy trust account appropriations and
10 the operating fee portion of tuition and fees. This funding goal
11 should be recognized as a mechanism to gauge college affordability.
12 By January 1st of each biennium, each four-year institution of higher
13 education and the state board for community and technical colleges
14 shall report to the appropriate committees of the legislature on the
15 percentages of funding each institution or sector receives from
16 general fund and education legacy trust account appropriations
17 compared to tuition.

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