HOUSE BILL 1146

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By Representatives Jacobsen, Prince, Winsley, Spanel, Paris, Padden, Rayburn and Miller.

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1 AN ACT Relating to the Washington national science fellows program; 2 adding a new section to chapter 28B.80 RCW; and creating a new section.

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

4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. The legislature recognizes that quality 5 in the state's four-year institutions of higher education would be 6 strengthened by attracting additional outstanding graduate students, 7 including national science fellows, to the state four-year institutions of higher education. The legislature intends to encourage the 8 recruitment of national science fellows by the creation of the national 9 10 science fellows program.

11 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 28B.80 RCW
12 to read as follows:

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The Washington national science fellows program is established. 1 2 The program shall be administered by the higher education coordinating board as funds are available through legislative appropriation. 3 The 4 board shall provide annual grants to national science fellows, as designated by the national science foundation, if they are enrolled in 5 6 Washington institutions of higher education as defined in RCW 7 28B.10.016. Each recipient may receive the annual grant for up to three years. Annual grants shall not exceed two thousand dollars per 8 9 recipient unless an additional sum is approved under a legislative appropriation. The board shall work cooperatively with institutions of 10 higher education to identify eligible recipients and to establish any 11 12 rules or guidelines needed to administer the program.