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## HOUSE BILL 1251

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- AN ACT Relating to gender equity; and amending RCW 28B.15.460 and
- 2 28B.15.740.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28B.15.460 and 1989 c 340 s 4 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
- 6 (1) ((An institution of higher education)) A state university,
- 7 regional university, or state college shall not grant any waivers for
- 8 the purpose of achieving gender equity until the 1991-92 academic year,
- 9 and may grant waivers for the purpose of achieving gender equity in
- 10 intercollegiate athletic programs as authorized in RCW 28B.15.740, for
- 11 the 1991-92 academic year only if the institution's governing board has
- 12 adopted a plan for complying with the provisions of RCW 28B.15.455 and
- 13 submitted the plan to the higher education coordinating board.
- 14 Community colleges shall comply with this subsection by the 1992-93
- 15 academic year.
- 16 (2) Beginning in the 1992-93 academic year, ((an institution of
- 17 higher education)) a state university, regional university, or state
- 18 college shall not grant any waiver for the purpose of achieving gender
- 19 equity in intercollegiate athletic programs as authorized in RCW

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- 28B.15.740 unless the institution's plan has been approved by the higher education coordinating board. <u>Community colleges shall comply</u> with this subsection by the 1993-94 academic year.
  - (3) The plan shall include, but not be limited to:

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- (a) For any ((institution)) state university, regional university, 5 or state college with an underrepresented gender class, provisions that 6 7 ensure that by July 1, 1994, the institution shall provide athletic 8 opportunities for the underrepresented gender class at a rate that 9 meets or exceeds the rate at which that class participates in high 10 school interscholastic athletics in Washington state not to exceed the point at which the underrepresented gender class is no longer 11 12 underrepresented;
- (b) Activities to be undertaken by the institution to increase 13 of any underrepresented 14 participation rates gender class 15 interscholastic and intercollegiate athletics. These activities may 16 include, but are not limited to: Sponsoring equity conferences, 17 coaches clinics and sports clinics; and taking a leadership role in working with athletic conferences to reduce barriers to participation 18 19 by those gender classes in interscholastic and intercollegiate athletics; 20
- (c) An identification of barriers to achieving and maintaining equitable intercollegiate athletic opportunities for men and women; and (d) Measures to achieve institutional compliance with the provisions of RCW 28B.15.455.
- 25 <u>Community colleges shall comply with this subsection (3) by July 1,</u> 26 <u>1995.</u>
- 27 **Sec. 2.** RCW 28B.15.740 and 1992 c 231 s 26 are each amended to 28 read as follows:
- Subject to the limitations of RCW 28B.15.910, the governing boards of the state universities, the regional universities, The Evergreen State College, and the community colleges may waive all or a portion of tuition and fees subject to the following restrictions:
- 33 (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, the total 34 dollar amount of tuition and fee waivers awarded by the governing 35 boards shall not exceed four percent, except for the community colleges 36 considered as a whole, such amount shall not exceed three percent of an 37 amount determined by estimating the total collections from tuition and 38 services and activities fees had no such waivers been made, and

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- deducting the portion of that total amount that is attributable to the 1 difference between resident and nonresident fees: PROVIDED, That at 2 least three-fourths of the dollars waived shall be for needy students 3 4 who are eligible for resident tuition and fee rates pursuant to RCW 28B.15.012 through 28B.15.015: PROVIDED FURTHER, That the remainder of 5 the dollars waived, not to exceed one-fourth of the total, may be 6 7 applied to other students at the discretion of the governing boards, 8 except on the basis of participation in intercollegiate athletic 9 PROVIDED FURTHER, That the waivers for undergraduate and 10 graduate students of foreign nations under RCW 28B.15.556 are not subject to the limitation under this section. 11
- (2) In addition to the tuition and fee waivers provided in 12 subsection (1) of this section and subject to the provisions of RCW 13 14 28B.15.455 and 28B.15.460, a total dollar amount of tuition and fee 15 waivers awarded by any state university, regional university, ((or)) state college or community college under this chapter, not to exceed 16 17 one percent, as calculated in subsection (1) of this section, may be used for the purpose of achieving or maintaining gender equity in 18 19 intercollegiate athletic programs. At any institution that has an 20 underrepresented gender class in intercollegiate athletics, any such waivers shall be awarded: 21
  - (a) First, to members of the underrepresented gender class who participate in intercollegiate athletics, where such waivers result in saved or displaced money that can be used for athletic programs for the underrepresented gender class. Such saved or displaced money shall be used for programs for the underrepresented gender class; and

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- (b) Second, (i) to nonmembers of the underrepresented gender class who participate in intercollegiate athletics, where such waivers result in saved or displaced money that can be used for athletic programs for members of the underrepresented gender class. Such saved or displaced money shall be used for programs for the underrepresented gender class; or (ii) to members of the underrepresented gender class who participate in intercollegiate athletics, where such waivers do not result in any saved or displaced money that can be used for athletic programs for members of the underrepresented gender class.
- 36 (3) Before June 30, 1995, no individual waiver program under this 37 section may be reduced by more than twice the percentage reduction

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- 1 required in operating fee foregone revenue from tuition waivers in the
- 2 biennial state appropriations act.

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