

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5075

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**Speaker of the
House of Representatives**

Approved

CERTIFICATE

I, Marty Brown, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5075** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

Secretary

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Governor of the State of Washington

**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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By Senate Committee on Higher Education (originally sponsored by
Senators Winsley, Fraser and Erwin)

Read first time 02/17/93.

1 AN ACT Relating to hazing at state and independent institutions of
2 higher education; adding new sections to chapter 28B.10 RCW; and
3 prescribing penalties.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.10 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 As used in sections 2 and 3 of this act, "hazing" includes any
8 method of initiation into a student organization or living group, or
9 any pastime or amusement engaged in with respect to such an
10 organization or living group that causes, or is likely to cause, bodily
11 danger or physical harm, or serious mental or emotional harm, to any
12 student or other person attending a public or private institution of
13 higher education or other postsecondary educational institution in this
14 state. "Hazing" does not include customary athletic events or other
15 similar contests or competitions.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.10 RCW
17 to read as follows:

1 (1) No student, or other person in attendance at any public or
2 private institution of higher education, or any other postsecondary
3 educational institution, may conspire to engage in hazing or
4 participate in hazing of another.

5 (2) A violation of this section is a misdemeanor, punishable as
6 provided under RCW 9A.20.021.

7 (3) Any organization, association, or student living group that
8 knowingly permits hazing is strictly liable for harm caused to persons
9 or property resulting from hazing. If the organization, association,
10 or student living group is a corporation whether for profit or
11 nonprofit, the individual directors of the corporation may be held
12 individually liable for damages.

13 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.10 RCW
14 to read as follows:

15 (1) A person who participates in the hazing of another shall
16 forfeit any entitlement to state-funded grants, scholarships, or awards
17 for a period of time determined by the institution of higher education.

18 (2) Any organization, association, or student living group that
19 knowingly permits hazing to be conducted by its members or by others
20 subject to its direction or control shall be deprived of any official
21 recognition or approval granted by a public institution of higher
22 education.

23 (3) The public institutions of higher education shall adopt rules
24 to implement this section.

25 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.10 RCW
26 to read as follows:

27 Institutions of higher education shall adopt rules providing
28 sanctions for conduct associated with initiation into a student
29 organization or living group, or any pastime or amusement engaged in
30 with respect to an organization or living group not amounting to a
31 violation of section 1 of this act. Conduct covered by this section
32 may include embarrassment, ridicule, sleep deprivation, verbal abuse,
33 or personal humiliation.

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