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- 5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the 6 following:
- 7 "Sec. 1. RCW 28B.15.620 and 1994 c 208 s 1 are each amended to 8 read as follows:
- (1) The legislature finds that military and naval veterans who have 9 served their country in wars on foreign soil have risked their own 10 lives to defend both the lives of all Americans and the freedoms that 11 define and distinguish our nation. The legislature also finds that 12 13 veterans of the Vietnam conflict suffered during and after the war as the country anguished over its involvement in the conflict. It is the 14 15 intent of the legislature to honor Vietnam veterans for the public 16 service they have provided to their country. It is the further intent of the legislature that, for eligible Vietnam veterans, colleges and 17 universities waive tuition and fee increases that have occurred since 18
 - (2) 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 exempt veterans of the Vietnam conflict who have served in the southeast Asia theater of operations from the payment of all or a portion of any increase in tuition and fees that occur after October 1, 1977, if the veteran qualifies as a resident student under RCW 28B.15.012((, was enrolled in state institutions of higher education on or before May 7, 1990, and meets the requirements of subsection (2) of this section)).
- (((2) Beginning with the fall academic term of 1994, veterans receiving the exemption under subsection (1) of this section must meet these additional requirements:
- 32 (a) Remain continuously enrolled for seven or more quarter credits 33 per academic term or their equivalent, except summer term and not 34 including community service courses;
- 35 (b) Have an adjusted gross family income as most recently reported to the internal revenue service that does not exceed Washington state's

- 1 median family income as established by the federal bureau of the
 2 census; and
- 3 (c) Have exhausted all entitlement to federal vocational or 4 educational benefits conferred by virtue of their military service.))
- 5 (3) For the purposes of this section, "veterans of the Vietnam 6 conflict" shall be those persons who have been on active federal 7 service as a member of the armed military or ((navel)) naval forces of 8 the United States between a period commencing August 5, 1964, and 9 ending on May 7, 1975.
- 10 (4) This section shall expire June 30, $((\frac{1997}{}))$ 1999."
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On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "veterans;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 28B.15.620."

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