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1 AN ACT Relating to resident tuition for active duty military
2 personnel; and amending RCW 28B.15.012 and 28B.15.014.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28B.15.012 and 1997 c 433 s 2 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 Whenever used in chapter 28B.15 RCW:

7 (1) The term "institution" shall mean a public university, college,
8 or community college within the state of Washington.

9 (2) The term "resident student" shall mean:

10 (a) A financially independent student who has had a domicile in the
11 state of Washington for the period of one year immediately prior to the
12 time of commencement of the first day of the semester or quarter for
13 which the student has registered at any institution and has in fact
14 established a bona fide domicile in this state primarily for purposes
15 other than educational;

16 (b) A dependent student, if one or both of the student's parents or
17 legal guardians have maintained a bona fide domicile in the state of
18 Washington for at least one year immediately prior to commencement of

1 the semester or quarter for which the student has registered at any
2 institution;

3 (c) A student classified as a resident based upon domicile by an
4 institution on or before May 31, 1982, who was enrolled at a state
5 institution during any term of the 1982-1983 academic year, so long as
6 such student's enrollment (excepting summer sessions) at an institution
7 in this state is continuous;

8 (d) Any student who has spent at least seventy-five percent of both
9 his or her junior and senior years in high schools in this state, whose
10 parents or legal guardians have been domiciled in the state for a
11 period of at least one year within the five-year period before the
12 student graduates from high school, and who enrolls in a public
13 institution of higher education within six months of leaving high
14 school, for as long as the student remains continuously enrolled for
15 three quarters or two semesters in any calendar year;

16 (e) A student who is on active military duty stationed in the
17 state;

18 (f) A student who is the spouse or a dependent of a person who is
19 on active military duty stationed in the state;

20 ((+f)) (g) A student of an out-of-state institution of higher
21 education who is attending a Washington state institution of higher
22 education pursuant to a home tuition agreement as described in RCW
23 28B.15.725; or

24 ((+g)) (h) A student who meets the requirements of RCW
25 28B.15.0131: PROVIDED, That a nonresident student enrolled for more
26 than six hours per semester or quarter shall be considered as attending
27 for primarily educational purposes, and for tuition and fee paying
28 purposes only such period of enrollment shall not be counted toward the
29 establishment of a bona fide domicile of one year in this state unless
30 such student proves that the student has in fact established a bona
31 fide domicile in this state primarily for purposes other than
32 educational.

33 (3) The term "nonresident student" shall mean any student who does
34 not qualify as a "resident student" under the provisions of RCW
35 28B.15.012 and 28B.15.013. Except for students qualifying under
36 subsection (2)((+f)) (g) of this section, a nonresident student shall
37 include:

38 (a) A student attending an institution with the aid of financial
39 assistance provided by another state or governmental unit or agency

1 thereof, such nonresidency continuing for one year after the completion
2 of such semester or quarter.

3 (b) A person who is not a citizen of the United States of America
4 who does not have permanent or temporary resident status or does not
5 hold "Refugee-Parolee" or "Conditional Entrant" status with the United
6 States immigration and naturalization service or is not otherwise
7 permanently residing in the United States under color of law and who
8 does not also meet and comply with all the applicable requirements in
9 RCW 28B.15.012 and 28B.15.013.

10 (4) The term "domicile" shall denote a person's true, fixed and
11 permanent home and place of habitation. It is the place where the
12 student intends to remain, and to which the student expects to return
13 when the student leaves without intending to establish a new domicile
14 elsewhere. The burden of proof that a student, parent or guardian has
15 established a domicile in the state of Washington primarily for
16 purposes other than educational lies with the student.

17 (5) The term "dependent" shall mean a person who is not financially
18 independent. Factors to be considered in determining whether a person
19 is financially independent shall be set forth in rules and regulations
20 adopted by the higher education coordinating board and shall include,
21 but not be limited to, the state and federal income tax returns of the
22 person and/or the student's parents or legal guardian filed for the
23 calendar year prior to the year in which application is made and such
24 other evidence as the board may require.

25 **Sec. 2.** RCW 28B.15.014 and 1997 c 433 s 3 are each amended to read
26 as follows:

27 Subject to the limitations of RCW 28B.15.910, the governing boards
28 of the state universities, the regional universities, The Evergreen
29 State College, and the community colleges may exempt the following
30 nonresidents from paying all or a portion of the nonresident tuition
31 fees differential:

32 (1) Any person who resides in the state of Washington and who holds
33 a graduate service appointment designated as such by a public
34 institution of higher education or is employed for an academic
35 department in support of the instructional or research programs
36 involving not less than twenty hours per week during the term such
37 person shall hold such appointment.

1 (2) Any faculty member, classified staff member or administratively
2 exempt employee holding not less than a half time appointment at an
3 institution who resides in the state of Washington, and the dependent
4 children and spouse of such persons.

5 (3) (~~Active duty military personnel stationed in the state of~~
6 ~~Washington.~~

7 ~~(4))~~ Any immigrant refugee and the spouse and dependent children
8 of such refugee, if the refugee (a) is on parole status, or (b) has
9 received an immigrant visa, or (c) has applied for United States
10 citizenship.

11 (~~(5))~~ (4) Any dependent of a member of the United States congress
12 representing the state of Washington.

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