SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5509

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57th Legislature 2001 Regular Session

IDENTITY THEFT--HIGHER EDUCATION

EFFECTIVE DATE: 7/22/01 - Except section 2, which becomes effective 7/1/02.

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Passed by the Senate March 10, 2001
    YEAS 48 NAYS 0
                    BRAD OWEN
President of the Senate
Passed by the House April 10, 2001
    YEAS 94 NAYS 0
FRANK CHOPP
TONY M. COOK
I, Tony M. Cook, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5509 as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.
\(\frac{\text { FRANK CHOPP }}{\text { Speaker of the }}\)
Secretary
House of Representatives
CLYDE BALLARD
Speaker of the House of Representatives
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By Senate Committee on Higher Education (originally sponsored by Senators Kohl-Welles, Hochstatter, Shin, Kline, Hargrove, Horn, Fairley, Sheahan, B. Sheldon, Prentice, McAuliffe, Roach and Costa)

READ FIRST TIME 03/05/2001.

AN ACT Relating to identification of students, staff, and faculty at institutions of higher education; adding a new section to chapter 28B.10 RCW; creating new sections; and providing an effective date.

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

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The legislature finds that the occurrences of identity theft are increasing. The legislature also finds that widespread use of the federally issued social security numbers has made identity theft more likely to occur.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 28B. 10 RCW to read as follows:
(1) Institutions of higher education shall not use the social security number of any student, staff, or faculty for identification except for the purposes of employment, financial aid, research, assessment, accountability, transcripts, or as otherwise required by state or federal law.
(2) Each institution of higher education shall develop a system of personal identifiers for students to be used for grading and other

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administrative purposes. The personal identifiers may not be social security numbers.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. The institutions of higher education, in conjunction with the higher education coordinating board and the state board for community and technical colleges, shall submit a report to the legislature by December 1, 2001, outlining the institution's personal identifier system.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. Each institution of higher education shall use its own existing budgetary funds to develop the system for personal identifiers. No new state funds shall be allocated for this purpose.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. Section 2 of this act takes effect July 1, 2002 .

Passed the Senate March 10, 2001. Passed the House April 10, 2001. Approved by the Governor April 19, 2001. Filed in Office of Secretary of State April 19, 2001.

