

SSB 6245 - H COMM AMD
By Committee on Education

1 On page 7, after line 6, insert the following:

2 "Sec. 5. RCW 28A.660.050 and 2003 c 410 s 3 are each amended
3 to read as follows:

4 The alternative route conditional scholarship program is
5 created under the following guidelines:

6 (1) The program shall be administered by the higher education
7 coordinating board. In administering the program, the higher
8 education coordinating board has the following powers and duties:

9 (a) To adopt necessary rules and develop guidelines to
10 administer the program;

11 (b) To collect and manage repayments from participants who do
12 not meet their service obligations; and

13 (c) To accept grants and donations from public and private
14 sources for the program.

15 (2) Participation in the alternative route conditional
16 scholarship program is limited to interns of the partnership grant
17 programs under RCW 28A.660.040. The Washington professional
18 educator standards board shall select interns to receive
19 conditional scholarships.

20 (3) In order to receive conditional scholarship awards,
21 recipients shall be accepted and maintain enrollment in alternative
22 certification routes through the partnership grant program, as
23 provided in RCW 28A.660.040. Recipients must continue to make
24 satisfactory progress towards completion of the alternative route
25 certification program and receipt of a residency teaching
26 certificate.

27 (4) For the purpose of this chapter, a conditional scholarship
28 is a loan that is forgiven in whole or in part in exchange for
29 service as a certificated teacher employed in a Washington state
30 K-12 public school. The state shall forgive one year of loan

1 obligation for every two years a recipient teaches in a public
2 school. Recipients that fail to continue a course of study leading
3 to residency teacher certification or cease to teach in a public
4 school in the state of Washington in their endorsement area are
5 required to repay the remaining loan principal with interest.

6 (5) Recipients who fail to fulfill the required teaching
7 obligation are required to repay the remaining loan principal with
8 interest and any other applicable fees. The higher education
9 coordinating board shall adopt rules to define the terms for
10 repayment, including applicable interest rates, fees, and
11 deferments.

12 (6) To the extent funds are appropriated for this specific
13 purpose, the annual amount of the scholarship is the annual cost of
14 tuition; fees; and educational expenses, including books, supplies,
15 and transportation for the alternative route certification program
16 in which the recipient is enrolled, not to exceed eight thousand
17 dollars. The board may adjust the annual award by the average rate
18 of resident undergraduate tuition and fee increases at the state
19 universities as defined in RCW 28B.10.016.

20 (7) The higher education coordinating board may deposit all
21 appropriations, collections, and any other funds received for the
22 program in this chapter in *the student loan account authorized in
23 RCW 28B.102.060."

24 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct the
25 title and any internal references accordingly.

EFFECT: The conditional scholarship that students may receive
may include the annual cost of student fees and educational
expenses, including books, supplies, and transportation, as
well as tuition, not to exceed \$8000.