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By Representatives Woods, McDonald, Hankins, Bailey, Ahern, McCune, Kristiansen, Roach, Holmquist, Pearson, Condotta, Dunn, Linville and Skinner

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1 AN ACT Relating to tuition waivers for veterans of the Persian Gulf
2 combat zone; and amending RCW 28B.15.628.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28B.15.628 and 1999 c 82 s 2 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) The legislature finds that military and naval veterans who have
7 served their country in wars on foreign soil have risked their own
8 lives to defend both the lives of all Americans and the freedoms that
9 define and distinguish our nation. It is the intent of the legislature
10 to honor Persian Gulf combat zone veterans for the public service they
11 have provided to their country. It is the further intent of the
12 legislature that, for eligible Persian Gulf combat zone veterans,
13 institutions of higher education waive tuition and fee increases that
14 have occurred after the 1990-91 academic year.

15 (2) Subject to the limitations of RCW 28B.15.910, the governing
16 boards of the state universities, the regional universities, The
17 Evergreen State College, and the community colleges may exempt veterans
18 of the Persian Gulf combat zone from all or a portion of increases in
19 tuition and fees that occur after the 1990-91 academic year, if the

1 veteran (~~could have qualified~~) qualifies as a Washington resident
2 student under RCW 28B.15.012(2)(~~, had he or she been enrolled as a~~
3 ~~student on August 1, 1990~~)).

4 (3) For the purposes of this section, "a veteran of the Persian
5 Gulf combat zone" means a person who served on active duty in the armed
6 forces of the United States during any portion of the 1991 calendar
7 year in the Persian Gulf combat zone as designated by executive order
8 of the president of the United States.

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