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1 AN ACT Relating to dual credit programs; amending RCW 28A.600.290;
2 reenacting and amending RCW 28B.92.030; and adding a new section to
3 chapter 28B.10 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.10 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) The higher education coordinating board shall convene a work
8 group to include representatives from the state board for community and
9 technical colleges, the state universities, the regional universities,
10 The Evergreen State College, and the office of the superintendent of
11 public instruction. In consultation with the association of Washington
12 school principals, the work group shall jointly develop and recommend
13 rules governing the acceptance of advanced placement and international
14 baccalaureate credit.

15 (2) The state board for community and technical colleges, the state
16 universities, the regional universities, The Evergreen State College,
17 and the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall each
18 adopt rules based on the work group's recommendations. The rules shall
19 address institutional obligations regarding the adoption and

1 publication of statewide standard minimum scores required for
2 acceptance of advanced placement and international baccalaureate
3 credit. The rules shall be written to encourage the maximum use of the
4 program and may not narrow or limit the enrollment options.

5 (3) Participation in the state student financial aid program, as
6 defined in chapter 28B.92 RCW, is conditioned on the acceptance of
7 advanced placement and international baccalaureate credit based on
8 rules developed and adopted under this section.

9 **Sec. 2.** RCW 28A.600.290 and 2009 c 450 s 3 are each amended to
10 read as follows:

11 (1) The superintendent of public instruction, the state board for
12 community and technical colleges, the higher education coordinating
13 board, and the public baccalaureate institutions shall jointly develop
14 and each adopt rules governing the college in the high school program.
15 The association of Washington school principals shall be consulted
16 during the rules development. The rules shall be written to encourage
17 the maximum use of the program and may not narrow or limit the
18 enrollment options.

19 (2) College in the high school programs shall each be governed by
20 a local contract between the district and the institution of higher
21 education, in compliance with the guidelines adopted by the
22 superintendent of public instruction, the state board for community and
23 technical colleges, and the public baccalaureate institutions.

24 (3) The college in the high school program must include the
25 provisions in this subsection.

26 (a) The high school and institution of higher education together
27 shall define the criteria for student eligibility. The institution of
28 higher education may charge tuition fees to participating students.
29 The amount of tuition fees charged shall be determined jointly by the
30 high schools and institution of higher education.

31 (b) School districts shall report no student for more than one
32 full-time equivalent including college in the high school courses.

33 (c) The funds received by the institution of higher education may
34 not be deemed tuition or operating fees and may be retained by the
35 institution of higher education.

36 (d) Enrollment information on persons registered under this section
37 must be maintained by the institution of higher education separately

1 from other enrollment information and may not be included in official
2 enrollment reports, nor may such persons be considered in any
3 enrollment statistics that would affect higher education budgetary
4 determinations.

5 (e) A school district must grant high school credit to a student
6 enrolled in a program course if the student successfully completes the
7 course. If no comparable course is offered by the school district, the
8 school district superintendent shall determine how many credits to
9 award for the course. The determination shall be made in writing
10 before the student enrolls in the course. The credits shall be applied
11 toward graduation requirements and subject area requirements. Evidence
12 of successful completion of each program course shall be included in
13 the student's secondary school records and transcript.

14 (f) An institution of higher education must grant college credit to
15 a student enrolled in a program course if the student successfully
16 completes the course. The college credit shall be applied toward
17 general education requirements or major requirements. If no comparable
18 course is offered by the college, the institution of higher education
19 at which the teacher of the program course is employed shall determine
20 how many credits to award for the course and whether the course
21 fulfills general education or major requirements. Evidence of
22 successful completion of each program course must be included in the
23 student's college transcript.

24 (g) Eleventh and twelfth grade students or students who have not
25 yet received a high school diploma or its equivalent and are eligible
26 to be in the eleventh or twelfth grades may participate in the college
27 in the high school program.

28 (h) Participating school districts must provide general information
29 about the college in the high school program to all students in grades
30 ten, eleven, and twelve and to the parents and guardians of those
31 students.

32 (i) Full-time and part-time faculty at institutions of higher
33 education, including adjunct faculty, are eligible to teach program
34 courses.

35 (4) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this
36 section.

37 (a) "Institution of higher education" has the meaning in RCW
38 28B.10.016 and also includes a public tribal college located in

1 Washington and accredited by the Northwest commission on colleges and
2 universities or another accrediting association recognized by the
3 United States department of education.

4 (b) "Program course" means a college course offered in a high
5 school under the college in the high school program.

6 **Sec. 3.** RCW 28B.92.030 and 2009 c 238 s 7 and 2009 c 215 s 5 are
7 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

8 As used in this chapter:

9 (1) "Board" means the higher education coordinating board.

10 (2) "Disadvantaged student" means a post high school student who by
11 reason of adverse cultural, educational, environmental, experiential,
12 familial or other circumstances is unable to qualify for enrollment as
13 a full-time student in an institution of higher education, who would
14 otherwise qualify as a needy student, and who is attending an
15 institution of higher education under an established program designed
16 to qualify the student for enrollment as a full-time student.

17 (3) "Financial aid" means loans and/or grants to needy students
18 enrolled or accepted for enrollment as a student at institutions of
19 higher education.

20 (4) "Institution" or "institutions of higher education" means:

21 (a) Any public university, college, community college, or technical
22 college operated by the state of Washington or any political
23 subdivision thereof; or

24 (b) Any other university, college, school, or institute in the
25 state of Washington offering instruction beyond the high school level
26 which is a member institution of an accrediting association recognized
27 by rule of the board for the purposes of this section: PROVIDED, That
28 any institution, branch, extension or facility operating within the
29 state of Washington which is affiliated with an institution operating
30 in another state must be a separately accredited member institution of
31 any such accrediting association, or a branch of a member institution
32 of an accrediting association recognized by rule of the board for
33 purposes of this section, that is eligible for federal student
34 financial aid assistance and has operated as a nonprofit college or
35 university delivering on-site classroom instruction for a minimum of
36 twenty consecutive years within the state of Washington, and has an
37 annual enrollment of at least seven hundred full-time equivalent

1 students: PROVIDED FURTHER, That no institution of higher education
2 shall be eligible to participate in a student financial aid program
3 unless it agrees to and complies with program rules (~~and regulations~~)
4 adopted pursuant to RCW 28B.92.150 and section 1 of this act.

5 (5) "Needy student" means a posthigh school student of an
6 institution of higher education who demonstrates to the board the
7 financial inability, either through the student's parents, family
8 and/or personally, to meet the total cost of board, room, books, and
9 tuition and incidental fees for any semester or quarter. "Needy
10 student" also means an opportunity internship graduate as defined by
11 RCW 28C.18.162 who enrolls in a postsecondary program of study as
12 defined in RCW 28C.18.162 within one year of high school graduation.

13 (6) "Placebound student" means a student who (a) is unable to
14 complete a college program because of family or employment commitments,
15 health concerns, monetary inability, or other similar factors; and (b)
16 may be influenced by the receipt of an enhanced student financial aid
17 award to complete a baccalaureate degree at an eligible institution.

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