
ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6436

State of Washington

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2014 Regular Session

By Senate Higher Education (originally sponsored by Senators Frockt, Bailey, Kohl-Welles, and Hargrove)

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1 AN ACT Relating to creating a work group to make recommendations
2 for the continued viability of the college bound scholarship program;
3 creating new sections; and providing an expiration date.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that while the college
6 bound scholarship program was created in 2007, the first cohort of
7 scholarship recipients entered institutions of higher education in 2013
8 and emerging data shows that the program is a success. However, the
9 legislature further finds that the program faces long-term challenges.
10 Therefore, the legislature intends to create a work group to make
11 recommendations to ensure the program is viable, productive, and
12 effective.

13 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** (1)(a) A college bound scholarship program
14 work group is established. The work group shall consist of the
15 following members:

16 (i) Two members of the house of representatives, with one member
17 representing each of the major caucuses and appointed by the speaker of
18 the house of representatives;

1 (ii) Two members of the senate, with one member representing each
2 of the major caucuses and appointed by the president of the senate;

3 (iii) One representative of the four-year institutions of higher
4 education as defined in RCW 28B.10.016, selected by the presidents of
5 those institutions;

6 (iv) One representative of the state's community and technical
7 college system, selected by the state board for community and technical
8 colleges;

9 (v) One representative of a private, nonprofit higher education
10 institution as defined in RCW 28B.07.020(4), selected by an association
11 of independent nonprofit baccalaureate degree-granting institutions;

12 (vi) One representative from the student achievement council;

13 (vii) One representative from a college scholarship organization
14 that is a private nonprofit corporation registered under Title 24 RCW
15 and qualified as a tax-exempt entity under section 501(c)(3) of the
16 federal internal revenue code, with expertise in managing scholarships
17 and college advising; and

18 (viii) One nonlegislative representative appointed by the governor.

19 (b) All members must be appointed by June 30, 2014.

20 (c) The work group shall appoint its own chair and vice chair and
21 shall meet at least once but no more than five times in 2014.

22 (d) Legislative members of the work group shall serve without
23 additional compensation, but shall be reimbursed in accordance with RCW
24 44.04.120 while attending meetings of the work group. Nonlegislative
25 members of the work group may be reimbursed for travel expenses in
26 accordance with RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

27 (2) The work group shall submit a report to the governor and the
28 legislature by December 31, 2014, with recommendations for making the
29 college bound scholarship program viable, including but not limited to
30 funding.

31 (3) Staff support for the work group shall be jointly provided by
32 senate committee services and the house of representatives office of
33 program research, with the office of financial management presenting
34 data as needed.

35 (4) This section expires July 1, 2015.

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