CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**HOUSE BILL 2004**

Chapter 89, Laws of 2024

68th Legislature

2024 Regular Session

HIGHER EDUCATION—SERVICE MEMBERS—EARLY COURSE REGISTRATION

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 6, 2024

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| Passed by the House February 7, 2024  Yeas 95 Nays 0  LAURIE JINKINS  **Speaker of the House of Representatives**  Passed by the Senate February 29, 2024  Yeas 49 Nays 0  DENNY HECK  **President of the Senate** | CERTIFICATE  I, Bernard Dean, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **HOUSE BILL 2004** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.  BERNARD DEAN  Chief Clerk |
| Approved March 14, 2024 11:21 AM | March 14, 2024 |
| JAY INSLEE  **Governor of the State of Washington** | **Secretary of State**  **State of Washington** |

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**State of Washington 68th Legislature 2024 Regular Session**

**By** Representatives McEntire, Leavitt, Couture, Slatter, Ryu, Senn, Graham, Callan, Sandlin, and Shavers

AN ACT Relating to early registration at institutions of higher education for eligible veterans, national guard members, active duty military members, and their spouses, domestic partners, and dependents; and adding a new section to chapter 28B.10 RCW.

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

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

(1) Beginning in the 2024-25 academic year, institutions of higher education that offer an early course registration period for any segment of the student population must have a process in place to offer students who are eligible veterans, national guard members, active duty military members, and their spouses, domestic partners, and dependents early course registration as follows:

(a) New students who are eligible under this subsection and who have completed all of their admission processes must be offered an early course registration period; and

(b) Continuing and returning former students who are eligible under this subsection and who have met current enrollment requirements must be offered early course registration among continuing students with the same level of class standing or credit as determined by the attending institution and according to institutional policies.

(2) For purposes of this section, "eligible veterans or national guard members" has the same meaning as in RCW 28B.15.621.

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