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1 AN ACT Relating to higher education; and amending RCW 28B.15.380,
2 28B.15.385, 28B.15.520, 28B.35.361, and 28B.40.361.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28B.15.380 and 1990 c 154 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 In addition to any other exemptions as may be provided by law, the
7 board of regents at the state universities may exempt the following
8 classes of persons from the payment of tuition fees or services and
9 activities fees except for individual instruction fees: (1) All
10 veterans as defined in RCW 41.04.005: PROVIDED, That such persons are
11 no longer entitled to federal vocational or educational benefits
12 conferred by virtue of their military service: AND PROVIDED FURTHER,
13 That if any such veterans have not resided in this state for one year
14 prior to registration said board may exempt them up to one-half of the

1 tuition payable by other nonresident students: AND, PROVIDED FURTHER,
2 That such exemptions shall be provided only to those persons otherwise
3 covered who were enrolled in universities on or before October 1, 1977.
4 (2) Children of any law enforcement officer or fire fighter who lost
5 his life or became totally disabled in the line of duty while employed
6 by any public law enforcement agency or full time or volunteer fire
7 department in this state: PROVIDED, That such persons may receive the
8 exemption only if they begin their course of study at a state
9 university within ten years of their graduation from high school. (3)
10 Children of any person who was a Washington domiciliary and was killed
11 in action or became totally disabled in the line of duty while a member
12 of the active duty military forces of the United States.

13 **Sec. 2.** RCW 28B.15.385 and 1973 1st ex.s. c 191 s 5 are each
14 amended to read as follows:

15 For the purposes of RCW 28B.15.380, 28B.15.385, 28B.15.520,
16 28B.35.361, and 28B.40.361 the phrase "totally disabled" as used in RCW
17 28B.15.380, 28B.15.520, 28B.35.361, and 28B.40.361 shall mean a person
18 who has become totally and permanently disabled for life by bodily
19 injury or disease, and is thereby prevented from performing any
20 occupation or gainful pursuit.

21 **Sec. 3.** RCW 28B.15.520 and 1990 c 154 s 2 are each amended to read
22 as follows:

23 Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter or chapter
24 28B.50 RCW as now or hereafter amended:

25 (1) Boards of trustees of the various community colleges shall
26 waive tuition fees and services and activities fees for students
27 nineteen years of age or older who are eligible for resident tuition
28 and fee rates as defined in RCW 28B.15.012 through 28B.15.015 and who

1 enroll in a course of study or program which will enable them to finish
2 their high school education and obtain a high school diploma or
3 certificate;

4 (2) The various community college boards may waive the tuition and
5 services and activities fees for children of any law enforcement
6 officer or fire fighter who lost his life or became totally disabled in
7 the line of duty while employed by any public law enforcement agency or
8 full time or volunteer fire department in this state: PROVIDED, That
9 such persons may receive the exemption only if they begin their course
10 of study at a community college within ten years of their graduation
11 from high school;

12 (3) The various community college boards may exempt from tuition
13 and services and activities fees charges children of any person who was
14 a Washington domiciliary and was killed in action or became totally
15 disabled in the line of duty while a member of the active duty military
16 forces of the United States;

17 (4) Boards of trustees of the various community colleges may waive
18 residency requirements for students enrolled in that community college
19 in a course of study or program which will enable them to finish their
20 high school education and obtain a high school diploma or certificate.
21 The waiver shall be in effect only for those courses which lead to a
22 high school diploma or certificate; and

23 (~~(4)~~) (5) Boards of trustees of the various community colleges
24 may waive the nonresident portion of tuition and fees for up to forty
25 percent of the students enrolled in the regional education program for
26 deaf students, subject to federal funding of such program.

27 **Sec. 4.** RCW 28B.35.361 and 1990 c 154 s 3 are each amended to read
28 as follows:

1 The boards of trustees of each regional university may exempt from
2 the payment of tuition or services and activities fees, except for
3 individual instruction fees, (1) all veterans who served in the armed
4 forces of the United States who have served the United States during
5 any period of war as defined in RCW 41.04.005 and who shall have served
6 with evidence of conduct other than undesirable, bad conduct or
7 dishonorable upon release from active service: PROVIDED, That such
8 person is no longer entitled to federal vocational or educational
9 benefits conferred by virtue of his military service: PROVIDED
10 FURTHER, That such exemptions shall be provided only to those persons
11 otherwise covered who were enrolled in the regional universities on or
12 before October 1, 1977, ((and)) (2) all children of any law enforcement
13 officer or fire fighter who lost his life or became totally disabled in
14 the line of duty while employed by any public law enforcement agency or
15 full time or volunteer fire department in this state: PROVIDED, That
16 such persons may receive the exemption only if they begin their course
17 of study at a regional university within ten years of their graduation
18 from high school, and (3) all children of any person who was a
19 Washington domiciliary and was killed in action or became totally
20 disabled in the line of duty while a member of the active duty military
21 forces of the United States.

22 **Sec. 5.** RCW 28B.40.361 and 1990 c 154 s 4 are each amended to read
23 as follows:

24 The board of trustees of The Evergreen State College may exempt
25 from the payment of tuition or services and activities fees, except for
26 individual instruction fees, (1) all veterans who served in the armed
27 forces of the United States who have served the United States during
28 any period of war as defined in RCW 41.04.005 and who shall have served
29 with evidence of conduct other than undesirable, bad conduct or

1 dishonorable upon release from active service: PROVIDED, That such
2 person is no longer entitled to federal vocational or educational
3 benefits conferred by virtue of his military service: PROVIDED
4 FURTHER, That such exemptions shall be provided only to those persons
5 otherwise covered who were enrolled in state colleges on or before
6 October 1, 1977, ((and)) (2) all children of any law enforcement
7 officer or fire fighter who lost his life or became totally disabled in
8 the line of duty while employed by any public law enforcement agency or
9 full time or volunteer fire department in this state: PROVIDED, That
10 such persons may receive the exemption only if they begin their course
11 of study at The Evergreen State College within ten years of their
12 graduation from high school, and (3) all children of any person who was
13 a Washington domiciliary and was killed in action or became totally
14 disabled in the line of duty while a member of the active duty military
15 forces of the United States.

16 NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. If any provision of this act or its
17 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the
18 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other
19 persons or circumstances is not affected.