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5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
6 following:

7 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The Washington state legislature affirms
8 the following principles:

9 (1) Persons of all nationalities, races, religions, and ethnic
10 backgrounds are welcome and valued in the state of Washington.

11 (2) The presence of students, faculty, and staff from other
12 countries on Washington's college campuses enriches the educational
13 experience of Washington's students and enhances scholarship and
14 research at the state's colleges and universities.

15 (3) The educational experience of Washington's college students is
16 significantly enhanced by the cultural diversity and excellent
17 scholarship provided by students, faculty, and staff from other
18 countries.

19 (4) Washington's college and university students are entitled to
20 excellent instruction at the state's institutions of higher education.
21 Excellent instruction includes the ability to communicate effectively
22 in college classrooms and laboratories."

23 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** The governing board of each state
24 university, regional university, state college, and community college
25 shall ensure that the principles described in section 1 of this act are
26 implemented at its institution of higher education."

1 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The council of presidents, in
2 consultation with the higher education coordinating board, shall
3 convene a task force of representatives from the four-year universities
4 and colleges. The task force shall:

5 (1) Review institutional policies and procedures designed to ensure
6 that faculty and teaching assistants are able to communicate
7 effectively with undergraduate students in classrooms and laboratories;

8 (2) Research methods and procedures designed to improve the
9 communication and teaching skills of any person funded by state money
10 who instructs undergraduate students in classrooms and laboratories;

11 (3) Share the results of that research with each participating
12 university and college; and

13 (4) Work with each participating university and college to assist
14 the institution in its efforts to improve the communication and
15 teaching skills of faculty and teaching assistants instructing
16 undergraduate students."

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20 On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "education;" strike the
21 remainder of the title and insert "and creating new sections."