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1 AN ACT Relating to higher education; and adding new sections to
2 chapter 28B.10 RCW.

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

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

6 When purchasing or ordering textbooks and other course materials,
7 personnel at institutions of higher education shall, through contract,
8 require the publishers of those textbooks and course materials to
9 fulfill the following requirements:

10 (1) Make the textbooks and course materials available in a
11 computer-based format for students with print disabilities enrolled at
12 the institution;

1 (2) Provide the textbooks and course materials to students with
2 print disabilities at no greater amount than is charged for the printed
3 textbook and course materials;

4 (3) Ensure that the computer format provided to students with print
5 disabilities complies with guideline standards established for machine
6 readable documents for persons with print disabilities; and

7 (4) Provide the computer-formatted textbook and course materials to
8 students with print disabilities at the same time that the printed
9 copies are available to other students at the institution.

10 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.10 RCW
11 to read as follows:

12 Unless otherwise permitted by the publisher, the computer format of
13 textbooks and course materials provided under section 1 of this act
14 shall be used solely for the purpose of making the textbooks and course
15 materials accessible to students with print disabilities.