SENATE BILL 5824

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By Senators Saling, Stratton, Patterson and Bauer.

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to community college enrollments; amending RCW
- 2 28B.15.502; adding a new section to chapter 28B.15 RCW; providing an
- 3 effective date; and declaring an emergency.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.15 RCW
- 6 to read as follows:
- 7 (1) The boards of trustees of the community college districts may
- 8 operate summer schools on either a self-supporting or a state-funded
- 9 basis.
- 10 If summer school is operated on a self-supporting basis, the fees
- 11 charged shall be retained by the colleges, and shall be sufficient to
- 12 cover the direct costs, which are instructional salaries and related
- 13 benefits, supplies, publications, and records.
- 14 Community colleges that have self-supporting summer schools shall
- 15 continue to receive general fund state support for vocational programs

- 1 that require that students enroll in a four quarter sequence of courses
- 2 that includes summer quarter due to clinical or laboratory requirements
- 3 and for ungraded courses limited to adult basic education, vocational
- 4 apprenticeship, aging and retirement, small business management,
- 5 industrial first aid, and parent education.
- 6 (2) The boards of trustees of the community college districts may
- 7 exceed state-funded, full-time equivalent enrollment limits by four
- 8 percent each fiscal year and charge those students a fee equivalent to
- 9 the amount of tuition and fees that are charged students enrolled in
- 10 state-funded courses. These fees shall be retained by the colleges.
- 11 Community colleges that currently have excess enrollments above the
- 12 state-funded limit, by means of enrollments that would have otherwise
- 13 been eligible for state funding, shall reduce those excess enrollments
- 14 to four percent above the state-funded full-time equivalent enrollment
- 15 limits by September 1, 1995, in at least equal annual reductions,
- 16 commencing with the 1991-92 fiscal year.
- 17 Should the number of student supported, full-time equivalent
- 18 enrollments exceed in any fiscal year the limits established in this
- 19 section, the colleges shall return by September 1st to the state
- 20 general fund, an amount equal to the college's full average state
- 21 appropriations per full-time equivalent student for such student funded
- 22 full-time equivalent in excess of the limit.
- 23 (3) The state board for community college education shall ensure
- 24 compliance with this section.
- 25 **Sec. 2.** RCW 28B.15.502 and 1985 c 390 s 25 are each amended to
- 26 read as follows:
- 27 Tuition fees and services and activities fees at each community
- 28 college other than at summer quarters shall be as follows:

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- 1 (1) For full time resident students, the total tuition fees shall
- 2 be twenty-three percent of the per student educational costs at the
- 3 community colleges computed as provided in RCW 28B.15.067 and
- 4 28B.15.070: PROVIDED, That the building fees for each academic year
- 5 shall be one hundred and twenty-seven dollars and fifty cents.
- 6 (2) For full time nonresident students, the total tuition fees
- 7 shall be one hundred percent of the per student educational costs at
- 8 the community colleges computed as provided in RCW 28B.15.067 and
- 9 28B.15.070: PROVIDED, That the building fees for each academic year
- 10 shall be four hundred and three dollars and fifty cents.
- 11 (3) The boards of trustees of each of the state community colleges
- 12 shall charge and collect equally from each of the students registering
- 13 at the particular institution and included in subsections (1) and (2)
- 14 hereof a services and activities fee which for each year of the 1981-83
- 15 biennium shall not exceed sixty-four dollars and fifty cents. In
- 16 subsequent biennia the board of trustees may increase the existing fee,
- 17 consistent with budgeting procedures set forth in RCW 28B.15.045, by a
- 18 percentage not to exceed the percentage increase in tuition fees
- 19 authorized in subsection (1) above: PROVIDED, That such percentage
- 20 increase shall not apply to that portion of the services and activities
- 21 fee previously committed to the repayment of bonded debt. The services
- 22 and activities fee committee provided for in RCW 28B.15.045 may
- 23 initiate a request to the governing board for a fee increase.
- 24 (4) Tuition and services and activities fees consistent with the
- 25 above schedule will be fixed by the state board for community colleges
- 26 for summer school students unless the community college charges fees in
- 27 accordance with section 1 of this 1991 act.
- The board of trustees shall charge such fees for ungraded courses,
- 29 noncredit courses, community services courses, and self-supporting
- 30 short courses as it, in its discretion, may determine, not inconsistent

- 1 with the rules and regulations of the state board for community college
- 2 education.
- 3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** This act is necessary for the immediate
- 4 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
- 5 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
- 6 effect June 15, 1991.