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By Representatives Clements and Hankins

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- AN ACT Relating to making certain benefits provided by colleges to
- 2 students optional; and amending RCW 28B.10.660.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28B.10.660 and 1993 sp.s. c 9 s 1 are each amended to 5 read as follows:
- 5 read as follows: 6 (1) The governing boards of any of the state's institutions of

higher education may make available liability, life, health, health

- 8 care, accident, disability and salary protection or insurance or any
- 9 one of, or a combination of, the enumerated types of insurance, or any
- 10 other type of insurance or protection, for the regents or trustees and
- 11 students of the institution. Except as provided in subsection (2) of
- 12 this section, the premiums due on such protection or insurance shall be
- 13 borne by the assenting regents, trustees, or students. The regents or
- 14 trustees of any of the state institutions of higher education may make
- 15 liability insurance available for employees of the institutions. The
- 16 premiums due on such liability insurance shall be borne by the
- 17 university or college.
- 18 (2) A governing board of a public four-year institution of higher
- 19 education may make available, and pay the costs of, health benefits for

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graduate students holding graduate service appointments, designated as such by the institution. Such health benefits may provide coverage for spouses and dependents of such graduate student appointees.

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(3) For students who provide proof of current health care coverage that continues throughout their period of enrollment, the health fee imposed under RCW 28B.15.031 is optional at the student's choice.

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