
SENATE BILL 5457

State of Washington **55th Legislature** **1997 Regular Session**

By Senators Wood, Kohl, West and Winsley

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1 AN ACT Relating to higher education tuition; amending RCW
2 28B.15.067; adding a new section to chapter 28B.15 RCW; and creating a
3 new section.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** Tuition rates currently charged for students
6 enrolled in programs leading to a first-professional law degree are
7 significantly below the average rates charged at comparable
8 institutions across the nation. It is the intent of the legislature to
9 charge competitive tuition rates for first-professional law students.
10 Sections 2 and 3 of this act establish a six-year phase-in period to
11 achieve competitive tuition rates for first-professional law students
12 with rates for those students at comparable institutions of higher
13 education.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.15 RCW
15 to read as follows:

16 The higher education coordinating board shall maintain listings of
17 comparable institutions for each of the research universities.

1 **Sec. 3.** RCW 28B.15.067 and 1996 c 212 s 1 are each amended to read
2 as follows:

3 (1) Tuition fees shall be established under the provisions of this
4 chapter.

5 (2) Academic year tuition for full-time students at the state's
6 institutions of higher education for the 1995-96 academic year, other
7 than the summer term, shall be as provided in this subsection.

8 (a) At the University of Washington and Washington State
9 University:

10 (i) For resident undergraduate students and other resident students
11 not in graduate study programs or enrolled in programs leading to the
12 degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental surgery, and doctor of
13 veterinary medicine, two thousand seven hundred sixty-four dollars;

14 (ii) For nonresident undergraduate students and other nonresident
15 students not in graduate study programs or enrolled in programs leading
16 to the degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental surgery, and
17 doctor of veterinary medicine, eight thousand two hundred sixty-eight
18 dollars;

19 (iii) For resident graduate and law students not enrolled in
20 programs leading to the degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental
21 surgery, and doctor of veterinary medicine, four thousand four hundred
22 ninety dollars;

23 (iv) For nonresident graduate and law students not enrolled in
24 programs leading to the degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental
25 surgery, and doctor of veterinary medicine, eleven thousand six hundred
26 thirty-four dollars;

27 (v) For resident students enrolled in programs leading to the
28 degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental surgery, and doctor of
29 veterinary medicine, seven thousand four hundred ninety-seven dollars;
30 and

31 (vi) For nonresident students enrolled in programs leading to the
32 degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental surgery, and doctor of
33 veterinary medicine, nineteen thousand four hundred thirty-one dollars.

34 (b) At the regional universities and The Evergreen State College:

35 (i) For resident undergraduate and all other resident students not
36 in graduate study programs, two thousand forty-five dollars;

37 (ii) For nonresident undergraduate and all other nonresident
38 students not in graduate study programs, seven thousand nine hundred
39 ninety-two dollars;

1 (iii) For resident graduate students, three thousand four hundred
2 forty-three dollars; and

3 (iv) For nonresident graduate students, eleven thousand seventy-one
4 dollars.

5 (c) At the community colleges:

6 (i) For resident students, one thousand two hundred twelve dollars;
7 and

8 (ii) For nonresident students, five thousand one hundred sixty-two
9 dollars and fifty cents.

10 (3) Academic year tuition for full-time students at the state's
11 institutions of higher education beginning with the 1996-97 academic
12 year, other than the summer term, shall be as provided in this
13 subsection.

14 (a) At the University of Washington and Washington State
15 University:

16 (i) For resident undergraduate students and other resident students
17 not in graduate study programs or enrolled in programs leading to the
18 degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental surgery, and doctor of
19 veterinary medicine, two thousand eight hundred seventy-five dollars;

20 (ii) For nonresident undergraduate students and other nonresident
21 students not in graduate study programs or enrolled in programs leading
22 to the degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental surgery, and
23 doctor of veterinary medicine, nine thousand four hundred ninety-one
24 dollars;

25 (iii) For resident graduate and law students not enrolled in
26 programs leading to the degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental
27 surgery, and doctor of veterinary medicine, four thousand six hundred
28 sixty-nine dollars;

29 (iv) For nonresident graduate and law students not enrolled in
30 programs leading to the degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental
31 surgery, and doctor of veterinary medicine, twelve thousand one hundred
32 dollars;

33 (v) For resident students enrolled in programs leading to the
34 degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental surgery, and doctor of
35 veterinary medicine, seven thousand seven hundred ninety-seven dollars;
36 and

37 (vi) For nonresident students enrolled in programs leading to the
38 degrees of doctor of medicine, doctor of dental surgery, and doctor of
39 veterinary medicine, twenty thousand two hundred nine dollars.

1 (b) At the regional universities and The Evergreen State College:
2 (i) For resident undergraduate and all other resident students not
3 in graduate study programs, two thousand one hundred twenty-seven
4 dollars;
5 (ii) For nonresident undergraduate and all other nonresident
6 students not in graduate study programs, eight thousand three hundred
7 twelve dollars;
8 (iii) For resident graduate students, three thousand five hundred
9 eighty-one dollars; and
10 (iv) For nonresident graduate students, eleven thousand five
11 hundred fourteen dollars.
12 (c) At the community colleges:
13 (i) For resident students, one thousand two hundred sixty-one
14 dollars; and
15 (ii) For nonresident students, five thousand three hundred sixty-
16 nine dollars and fifty cents.
17 (4) Academic year tuition at the state's institutions of higher
18 education for full-time students enrolled in first-professional law
19 programs, other than the summer term, shall be as provided in this
20 subsection.
21 (a) In academic year 1997-98:
22 (i) For resident students, five thousand three hundred ten dollars;
23 and
24 (ii) For nonresident students, thirteen thousand fifty dollars.
25 (b) In academic year 1998-99:
26 (i) For resident students, five thousand nine hundred fifty-two
27 dollars; and
28 (ii) For nonresident students, fourteen thousand one dollars.
29 (c) In academic year 1999-2000:
30 (i) For resident students, six thousand five hundred ninety-four
31 dollars; and
32 (ii) For nonresident students, fourteen thousand nine hundred
33 fifty-two dollars.
34 (d) In academic year 2000-01:
35 (i) For resident students, seven thousand two hundred thirty-six
36 dollars; and
37 (ii) For nonresident students, fifteen thousand nine hundred three
38 dollars.
39 (e) In academic year 2001-02:

1 (i) For resident students, seven thousand eight hundred
2 seventy-eight dollars; and

3 (ii) For nonresident students, sixteen thousand eight hundred
4 fifty-four dollars.

5 (f) In academic year 2002-03:

6 (i) For resident students, eight thousand five hundred seventeen
7 dollars; and

8 (ii) For nonresident students, seventeen thousand eight hundred
9 five dollars.

10 (5) The tuition fees established under this chapter shall not apply
11 to high school students enrolling in community colleges under RCW
12 28A.600.300 through 28A.600.395.

13 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** If any provision of this act or its
14 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the
15 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other
16 persons or circumstances is not affected.

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