

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5904

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By Senate Committee on Higher Education (originally sponsored by Senators Wood, Kohl and Prince)

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1 AN ACT Relating to higher education fees; and amending RCW
2 28B.15.910.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28B.15.910 and 1993 sp.s. c 18 s 31 are each amended
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) Except for revenue waived under programs listed in subsection
7 (3) of this section, and unless otherwise expressly provided in the
8 omnibus state appropriations act, the total amount of operating fees
9 revenue waived, exempted, or reduced by a state university, a regional
10 university, The Evergreen State College, or the community colleges as
11 a whole, shall not exceed the percentage of total gross authorized
12 operating fees revenue set forth below. As used in this section,
13 "gross authorized operating fees revenue" means the estimated gross
14 operating fees revenue as estimated under RCW 82.33.020 or as revised
15 by the office of financial management, before granting any waivers.
16 This limitation applies to all tuition waiver programs established
17 before or after July 1, 1992.

- 18 (a) University of Washington 21 percent
- 19 (b) Washington State University ((20)) 21 percent

- 1 (c) Eastern Washington University 11 percent
- 2 (d) Central Washington University ((8)) 10 percent
- 3 (e) Western Washington University 10 percent
- 4 (f) The Evergreen State College ((6)) 10 percent
- 5 (g) Community colleges as a whole 35 percent

6 (2) The limitations in subsection (1) of this section apply to
7 waivers, exemptions, or reductions in operating fees contained in the
8 following:

- 9 (a) RCW 28B.10.265;
- 10 (b) RCW 28B.15.014;
- 11 (c) RCW 28B.15.100;
- 12 (d) RCW 28B.15.225;
- 13 (e) RCW 28B.15.380;
- 14 (f) Ungraded courses under RCW 28B.15.502(4);
- 15 (g) RCW 28B.15.520;
- 16 (h) RCW 28B.15.526;
- 17 (i) RCW 28B.15.527;
- 18 (j) RCW 28B.15.543;
- 19 (k) RCW 28B.15.545;
- 20 (l) RCW 28B.15.555;
- 21 (m) RCW 28B.15.556;
- 22 (n) RCW 28B.15.615;
- 23 (o) RCW 28B.15.620;
- 24 (p) RCW 28B.15.628;
- 25 (q) RCW 28B.15.725;
- 26 (r) RCW 28B.15.730;
- 27 (s) RCW 28B.15.740;
- 28 (t) RCW 28B.15.750;
- 29 (u) RCW 28B.15.756;
- 30 (v) RCW 28B.50.259;
- 31 (w) RCW 28B.70.050; and
- 32 (x) RCW 28B.80.580.

33 (3) The limitations in subsection (1) of this section do not apply
34 to waivers, exemptions, or reductions in services and activities fees
35 contained in the following:

- 36 (a) RCW 28B.15.522;
- 37 (b) RCW 28B.15.535;
- 38 (c) RCW 28B.15.540; and
- 39 (d) RCW 28B.15.558.

1 (4) It is the intent of the legislature that general tax support
2 for institutions of higher education shall not increase as a result of
3 increasing above the 1993 statutory level the percentage of estimated
4 operating fees revenue that institutions may waive. For the purpose of
5 estimating tuition and fees revenue, the legislature may assume that
6 the maximum percentage of operating fees revenue that the following
7 institutions of higher education may waive is as follows: Eight
8 percent for Central Washington University, six percent for The
9 Evergreen State College, and twenty percent for Washington State
10 University.

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