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By Senators Shin, Kohl-Welles, Patterson, Eide, Kline, Bauer, Franklin, B. Sheldon, Snyder, Spanel, Prentice, Hale, T. Sheldon, Goings, Jacobsen, Winsley, Rasmussen and Oke

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1 AN ACT Relating to the Washington award for vocational excellence;  
2 amending RCW 28C.04.545; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28C.04.545 and 1995 1st sp.s. c 7 s 6 are each amended  
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) The respective governing boards of the public technical  
7 colleges shall provide fee waivers for a maximum of two years for those  
8 recipients of the Washington award for vocational excellence  
9 established under RCW 28C.04.520 through 28C.04.540 who received the  
10 award before June 30, 1994. To qualify for the waiver, recipients  
11 shall enter the public technical college within three years of  
12 receiving the award. An above average rating at the ((vocational-  
13 technical-institute)) technical college in the first year shall be  
14 required to qualify for the second-year waiver.

15 (2) Students named by the work force training and education  
16 coordinating board after June 30, 1994, as recipients of the Washington  
17 award for vocational excellence under RCW 28C.04.520 through 28C.04.550  
18 shall be eligible to receive a grant for undergraduate course work as  
19 authorized under RCW 28B.80.272.

1       (3)(a) Beginning with awards made during the 1998-99 academic year,  
2 recipients must complete using the award before the fall term in the  
3 sixth year following the date of the award. For these recipients,  
4 eligibility for the award is forfeited after this period.

5       (b) All persons awarded a Washington award for vocational  
6 excellence before the 1995-96 academic year and who have remaining  
7 eligibility on the effective date of this section must complete using  
8 the award before September 2002. For these recipients, eligibility for  
9 the award is forfeited after this period.

10       (c) All persons awarded a Washington award for vocational  
11 excellence during the 1995-96, 1996-97, and 1997-98 academic years must  
12 complete using the award before September 2005. For these recipients,  
13 eligibility for the award is forfeited after this period.

14       NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate  
15 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the  
16 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect  
17 immediately.

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