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By Senators Kohl-Welles, Sheahan, Jacobsen, Finkbeiner and Oke

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1            AN ACT Relating to branches of member institutions of accrediting  
2 associations recognized by rule of the higher education coordinating  
3 board; and amending RCW 28B.10.802 and 28B.12.030.

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

5            **Sec. 1.** RCW 28B.10.802 and 1989 c 254 s 2 are each amended to read  
6 as follows:

7            As used in RCW 28B.10.800 through 28B.10.824:

8            (1) "Institutions of higher education" shall mean (1) any public  
9 university, college, community college, or vocational-technical  
10 institute operated by the state of Washington or any political  
11 subdivision thereof or (2) any other university, college, school, or  
12 institute in the state of Washington offering instruction beyond the  
13 high school level which is a member institution of an accrediting  
14 association recognized by rule of the board for the purposes of this  
15 section: PROVIDED, That any institution, branch, extension or facility  
16 operating within the state of Washington which is affiliated with an  
17 institution operating in another state must be a separately accredited  
18 member institution of any such accrediting association, or a branch of  
19 a member institution of an accrediting association recognized by rule

1 of the board for purposes of this section, that is eligible for federal  
2 student financial aid assistance and has operated as a nonprofit entity  
3 for a minimum of ten consecutive years within the state of Washington:  
4 PROVIDED FURTHER, That no institution of higher education shall be  
5 eligible to participate in a student financial aid program unless it  
6 agrees to and complies with program rules and regulations adopted  
7 pursuant to RCW 28B.10.822.

8 (2) The term "financial aid" shall mean loans and/or grants to  
9 needy students enrolled or accepted for enrollment as a student at  
10 institutions of higher education.

11 (3) The term "needy student" shall mean a post high school student  
12 of an institution of higher learning as defined in subsection (1) of  
13 this section who demonstrates to the board the financial inability,  
14 either through the student's parents, family and/or personally, to meet  
15 the total cost of board, room, books, and tuition and incidental fees  
16 for any semester or quarter.

17 (4) The term "disadvantaged student" shall mean a post high school  
18 student who by reason of adverse cultural, educational, environmental,  
19 experiential, familial or other circumstances is unable to qualify for  
20 enrollment as a full time student in an institution of higher learning,  
21 who would otherwise qualify as a needy student, and who is attending an  
22 institution of higher learning under an established program designed to  
23 qualify the student for enrollment as a full time student.

24 (5) "Commission" or "board" shall mean the higher education  
25 coordinating board.

26 **Sec. 2.** RCW 28B.12.030 and 1994 c 130 s 3 are each amended to read  
27 as follows:

28 As used in this chapter, the following words and terms shall have  
29 the following meanings, unless the context shall clearly indicate  
30 another or different meaning or intent:

31 (1) The term "needy student" shall mean a student enrolled or  
32 accepted for enrollment at a post-secondary institution who, according  
33 to a system of need analysis approved by the higher education  
34 coordinating board, demonstrates a financial inability, either  
35 parental, familial, or personal, to bear the total cost of education  
36 for any semester or quarter.

37 (2) The term "eligible institution" shall mean any post-secondary  
38 institution in this state accredited by the Northwest Association of

1 Schools and Colleges, or a branch of a member institution of an  
2 accrediting association recognized by rule of the board for purposes of  
3 this section, that is eligible for federal student financial aid  
4 assistance and has operated as a nonprofit entity for a minimum of ten  
5 consecutive years within the state of Washington, or any public  
6 technical college in the state.

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