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SENATE BILL 6739

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By Senator Horn

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1 AN ACT Relating to tuition at institutions of higher education;  
2 amending RCW 28B.15.066 and 28B.15.067; and adding a new section to  
3 chapter 28B.15 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.15 RCW  
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) Beginning with the academic year 2002-03, resident  
8 undergraduate tuition fees at institutions of higher education shall be  
9 determined by multiplying base-year tuition by a factor.

10 (2)(a)(i) The factor for full-time resident undergraduate students  
11 at the state universities whose household income exceeds the median  
12 family income is their indexed income multiplied by sixty-four one-  
13 hundredths.

14 (ii) The factor for full-time resident undergraduate students at  
15 the state universities whose household income is less than the median  
16 family income is their indexed income multiplied by thirteen and fifty-  
17 eight one-hundredths.

18 (b)(i) The factor for full-time resident undergraduate students at  
19 the regional universities and The Evergreen State College whose

1 household income exceeds the median family income is their indexed  
2 income multiplied by one and seven-hundredths.

3 (ii) The factor for full-time resident undergraduate students at  
4 the regional universities and The Evergreen State College whose  
5 household income is less than the median family income is their indexed  
6 income multiplied by thirteen and fifty-eight one-hundredths.

7 (c)(i) The factor for full-time resident students at the community  
8 and technical colleges whose household income exceeds the median family  
9 income is their indexed income multiplied by one and two hundred nine  
10 one-thousandths.

11 (ii) The factor for full-time resident students at the community  
12 and technical colleges whose household income is less than the median  
13 family income is their indexed income multiplied by thirteen and fifty-  
14 seven one-hundredths.

15 (3) The definitions in this section apply throughout this section  
16 unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

17 (a) "Base-year tuition" is the weighted average of operating fees  
18 and building fees for each institutional sector as assumed in the 2001  
19 omnibus appropriations act.

20 (b) "Household income" is the student's family's adjusted gross  
21 income for federal internal revenue code purposes, calculated in a  
22 manner consistent with financial aid requirements.

23 (c) "Indexed income" is the difference in ten percent intervals  
24 above or below the median family income.

25 (d) "Institutional sector" refers to groupings of institutions of  
26 higher education. As used in calculations, the state universities  
27 constitute one sector; the regional universities constitute one sector;  
28 The Evergreen State College constitutes one sector; and the community  
29 and technical colleges constitute one sector.

30 (e) "Median family income" means the state median family income for  
31 a family of four as determined by the United States department of  
32 health and human services, adjusted for family size.

33 (f) "Tuition fees" means operating fees and building fees.

34 **Sec. 2.** RCW 28B.15.066 and 2000 c 152 s 2 are each amended to read  
35 as follows:

36 It is the intent of the legislature that:

1 In making appropriations from the state's general fund to  
2 institutions of higher education, each appropriation shall conform to  
3 the following:

4 (1) The appropriation shall not be reduced by the amount of  
5 operating fees revenue estimated to be collected from students enrolled  
6 at the state-funded enrollment level specified in the omnibus biennial  
7 operating appropriations act;

8 (2) The appropriation shall not be reduced by the amount of  
9 operating fees revenue collected from students enrolled above the  
10 state-funded level, but within the over-enrollment limitations,  
11 specified in the omnibus biennial operating appropriations act; ((and))

12 (3) The general fund state appropriation shall not be reduced by  
13 the amount of operating fees revenue collected as a result of waiving  
14 less operating fees revenue than the amounts authorized under RCW  
15 28B.15.910. State general fund appropriations shall not be provided  
16 for revenue foregone as a result of or for waivers granted under RCW  
17 28B.15.915; and

18 (4) The general fund state appropriation shall be increased or  
19 decreased to offset the increased or decreased tuition fees received by  
20 each institution of higher education as a result of section 1 of this  
21 act.

22 **Sec. 3.** RCW 28B.15.067 and 1997 c 403 s 1 are each amended to read  
23 as follows:

24 (1) Subject to adjustment under section 1 of this act, tuition fees  
25 shall be established under the provisions of this chapter.

26 (2) Academic year tuition for full-time students at the state's  
27 institutions of higher education for the 1997-98 academic year, other  
28 than the summer term, shall be as provided in this subsection.

29 (a) At the University of Washington and Washington State  
30 University:

31 (i) For resident undergraduate students and other resident students  
32 not in graduate, law, or first professional programs, two thousand nine  
33 hundred eighty-eight dollars;

34 (ii)(A) For nonresident undergraduate students and other  
35 nonresident students at the University of Washington not in graduate,  
36 law, or first professional programs, ten thousand two hundred seventy-  
37 eight dollars;

1 (B) For nonresident undergraduate students and other nonresident  
2 students at Washington State University not in graduate or first  
3 professional programs, nine thousand eight hundred seventy dollars;  
4 (iii) For resident graduate students, four thousand eight hundred  
5 fifty-four dollars;  
6 (iv) For nonresident graduate students, twelve thousand five  
7 hundred eighty-eight dollars;  
8 (v) For resident law students, five thousand ten dollars;  
9 (vi) For nonresident law students, twelve thousand nine hundred  
10 fifteen dollars;  
11 (vii) For resident first professional students, eight thousand one  
12 hundred twelve dollars; and  
13 (viii) For nonresident first professional students, twenty-one  
14 thousand twenty-four dollars.  
15 (b) At the regional universities and The Evergreen State College:  
16 (i) For resident undergraduate and all other resident students not  
17 in graduate programs, two thousand two hundred eleven dollars;  
18 (ii) For nonresident undergraduate and all other nonresident  
19 students not in graduate programs, eight thousand six hundred forty-six  
20 dollars;  
21 (iii) For resident graduate students, three thousand seven hundred  
22 twenty-six dollars; and  
23 (iv) For nonresident graduate students, eleven thousand nine  
24 hundred seventy-six dollars.  
25 (c) At the community colleges:  
26 (i) For resident students, one thousand three hundred eleven  
27 dollars; and  
28 (ii) For nonresident students, five thousand five hundred eighty-  
29 six dollars.  
30 (3) Academic year tuition for full-time students at the state's  
31 institutions of higher education beginning with the 1998-99 academic  
32 year, other than the summer term, shall be as provided in this  
33 subsection unless different rates are adopted in the omnibus  
34 appropriations act.  
35 (a) At the University of Washington and Washington State  
36 University:  
37 (i) For resident undergraduate students and other resident students  
38 not in graduate, law, or first professional programs, three thousand  
39 one hundred eight dollars;

1 (ii)(A) For nonresident undergraduate students and other  
2 nonresident students at the University of Washington not in graduate,  
3 law, or first professional programs, eleven thousand one hundred thirty  
4 dollars;

5 (B) For nonresident undergraduate students and other nonresident  
6 students at Washington State University not in graduate or first  
7 professional programs, ten thousand two hundred sixty-six dollars;

8 (iii) For resident graduate students, five thousand forty-six  
9 dollars;

10 (iv) For nonresident graduate students, thirteen thousand ninety-  
11 two dollars;

12 (v) For resident law students, five thousand three hundred seventy-  
13 six dollars;

14 (vi) For nonresident law students, thirteen thousand seven hundred  
15 eighty-two dollars;

16 (vii) For resident first professional students, eight thousand four  
17 hundred thirty-six dollars; and

18 (viii) For nonresident first professional students, twenty-one  
19 thousand eight hundred sixty-four dollars.

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

21 (i) For resident undergraduate and all other resident students not  
22 in graduate programs, two thousand two hundred ninety-eight dollars;

23 (ii) For nonresident undergraduate and all other nonresident  
24 students not in graduate programs, eight thousand nine hundred ninety-  
25 one dollars;

26 (iii) For resident graduate students, three thousand eight hundred  
27 seventy-six dollars; and

28 (iv) For nonresident graduate students, twelve thousand four  
29 hundred fifty-six dollars.

30 (c) At the community colleges:

31 (i) For resident students, one thousand three hundred sixty-two  
32 dollars; and

33 (ii) For nonresident students, five thousand eight hundred eight  
34 dollars.

35 (4) For the 1997-98 and 1998-99 academic years, the University of  
36 Washington shall use at least ten percent of the revenue received from  
37 the difference between a four percent increase in tuition fees and the  
38 actual increase charged to law students to assist needy low and middle-  
39 income resident law students. For the 1997-98 and 1998-99 academic

1 years, the University of Washington shall use at least ten percent of  
2 the revenue received from the difference between a four percent  
3 increase in tuition fees and the actual increase charged to nonresident  
4 undergraduate students and all other nonresident students not in  
5 graduate, law, or first professional programs to assist needy low and  
6 middle-income resident undergraduate students and all other resident  
7 students not enrolled in graduate, law, or first professional programs.  
8 This requirement is in addition to the deposit requirements of the  
9 institutional aid fund under RCW 28B.15.820.

10 (5) The tuition fees established under this chapter shall not apply  
11 to high school students enrolling in participating institutions of  
12 higher education under RCW 28A.600.300 through ((~~28A.600.395~~))  
13 28A.600.400.

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