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HOUSE BILL 1486

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By Representatives O'Brien, Delvin, Cairnes, Lovick, Hankins, Simpson, Roach, Bush, Fromhold, Ericksen, McDonald, Woods, Cooper, Campbell, Anderson and Kenney

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1 AN ACT Relating to exempting the surviving spouse and children of  
2 certain law enforcement officers or fire fighters from paying tuition  
3 and fees; and amending RCW 28B.15.380.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28B.15.380 and 1993 sp.s. c 18 s 10 are each amended  
6 to read as follows:

7 Subject to the limitations of RCW 28B.15.910, the governing boards  
8 of the state universities, the regional universities, and The Evergreen  
9 State College (~~may~~) shall exempt the following students from the  
10 payment of all or a portion of tuition fees and services and activities  
11 fees:

12 (1) All veterans as defined in RCW 41.04.005: PROVIDED, That such  
13 persons are no longer entitled to federal vocational or educational  
14 benefits conferred by virtue of their military service: AND PROVIDED  
15 FURTHER, That if any such veterans have not resided in this state for  
16 one year prior to registration, the board may exempt the student from  
17 paying up to fifty percent of the nonresident tuition fees  
18 differential. Such exemptions may be provided only to those persons

1 otherwise covered who were enrolled in universities on or before  
2 October 1, 1977.

3 (2) The surviving spouse and children of any law enforcement  
4 officer or fire fighter who lost his or her life or became totally  
5 disabled in the line of duty while employed by any public law  
6 enforcement agency or full time or volunteer fire department in this  
7 state: PROVIDED, That (~~such persons~~) children may receive the  
8 exemption only if they begin their course of study at a state-supported  
9 college or university within ten years of their graduation from high  
10 school.

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