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By Senators Jacobsen and Spanel

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1 AN ACT Relating to student membership on governing boards of
2 institutions of higher education; and amending RCW 28B.20.100,
3 28B.30.100, 28B.35.100, and 28B.40.100.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28B.20.100 and 1998 c 95 s 1 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 (1) The governance of the University of Washington shall be vested
8 in a board of regents to consist of ten members, one of whom shall be
9 a student. The governor shall select the student member from a list of
10 candidates, of at least three and not more than five, submitted by the
11 governing body of the associated students. They shall be appointed by
12 the governor with the consent of the senate, and, except for the
13 student member, shall hold their offices for a term of six years from
14 the first day of October and until their successors shall be appointed
15 and qualified. The student member shall hold his or her office for a
16 term of ~~((one))~~ up to two years from the first day of June until his or
17 her successor is appointed and qualified. The board of regents shall
18 determine the length of the student term. The student member shall be

1 a full-time student in good standing at the university at the time of
2 appointment.

3 (2) Six members of said board shall constitute a quorum for the
4 transaction of business. In the case of a vacancy, or when an
5 appointment is made after the date of the expiration of a term, the
6 governor shall fill the vacancy for the remainder of the term of the
7 regent whose office has become vacant or expired.

8 (3) Except for the term of the student member, no more than the
9 terms of two members will expire simultaneously on the last day of
10 September in any one year.

11 (4) A student appointed under this section shall excuse himself or
12 herself from participation or voting on matters relating to the hiring,
13 discipline, or tenure of faculty members and personnel.

14 **Sec. 2.** RCW 28B.30.100 and 1998 c 95 s 2 are each amended to read
15 as follows:

16 (1) The governance of Washington State University shall be vested
17 in a board of regents to consist of ten members one of whom shall be a
18 student. The governor shall select the student member from a list of
19 candidates, of at least three and not more than five, submitted by the
20 governing body of the associated students. They shall be appointed by
21 the governor, by and with the consent of the senate and, except for the
22 student member, shall hold their offices for a term of six years from
23 the first day of October and until their successors are appointed and
24 qualified. The student member shall hold his or her office for a term
25 of ~~((one))~~ up to two years from the first day of June until his or her
26 successor is appointed and qualified. The board of regents shall
27 determine the length of the student term. The student member shall be
28 a full-time student in good standing at the university at the time of
29 appointment.

30 (2) Six members of said board shall constitute a quorum for the
31 transaction of business. In the case of a vacancy or when an
32 appointment is made after the date of the expiration of a term, the
33 governor shall fill the vacancy for the remainder of the term of the
34 regent whose office has become vacant or expired.

35 (3) Except for the term of the student member, no more than the
36 terms of two members will expire simultaneously on the last day of
37 September in any one year.

1 (4) Each regent shall, before entering upon the discharge of his
2 respective duties as such, execute a good and sufficient bond to the
3 state of Washington, with two or more sufficient sureties, residents of
4 the state, or with a surety company licensed to do business within the
5 state, in the penal sum of not less than five thousand dollars,
6 conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties as such regent:
7 PROVIDED, That the university shall pay any fees incurred for any such
8 bonds for their board members.

9 (5) A student appointed under this section shall excuse himself or
10 herself from participation or voting on matters relating to the hiring,
11 discipline, or tenure of faculty members and personnel.

12 **Sec. 3.** RCW 28B.35.100 and 1998 c 95 s 3 are each amended to read
13 as follows:

14 (1) The governance of each of the regional universities shall be
15 vested in a board of trustees consisting of eight members, one of whom
16 shall be a student. The governor shall select the student member from
17 a list of candidates, of at least three and not more than five,
18 submitted by the governing body of the associated students. They shall
19 be appointed by the governor with the consent of the senate and, except
20 for the student member, shall hold their offices for a term of six
21 years from the first day of October and until their successors are
22 appointed and qualified. The student member shall hold his or her
23 office for a term of (~~one~~) up to two years from the first day of June
24 and until his or her successor is appointed and qualified. The board
25 of trustees shall determine the length of the student term. The
26 student member shall be a full-time student in good standing at the
27 respective university at the time of appointment.

28 (2) Five members of the board constitute a quorum for the
29 transaction of business. In case of a vacancy, or when an appointment
30 is made after the date of expiration of the term, the governor shall
31 fill the vacancy for the remainder of the term of the trustee whose
32 office has become vacant or expired.

33 (3) Except for the term of the student member, no more than the
34 terms of two members will expire simultaneously on the last day of
35 September in any one year.

36 (4) A student appointed under this section shall excuse himself or

1 herself from participation or voting on matters relating to the hiring,
2 discipline, or tenure of faculty members and personnel.

3 **Sec. 4.** RCW 28B.40.100 and 1998 c 95 s 4 are each amended to read
4 as follows:

5 (1) The governance of The Evergreen State College shall be vested
6 in a board of trustees consisting of eight members, one of whom shall
7 be a student. The governor shall select the student member from a list
8 of candidates, of at least three and not more than five, submitted by
9 the student body. They shall be appointed by the governor with the
10 consent of the senate and, except for the student member, shall hold
11 their offices for a term of six years from the first day of October and
12 until their successors are appointed and qualified. The student member
13 shall hold his or her office for a term of (~~one~~) up to two years from
14 the first day of June and until his or her successor is appointed and
15 qualified. The board of trustees shall determine the length of the
16 student term. The student member shall be a full-time student in good
17 standing at the college at the time of appointment.

18 (2) Five members of the board constitute a quorum for the
19 transaction of business. In case of a vacancy, or when an appointment
20 is made after the date of expiration of the term, the governor shall
21 fill the vacancy for the remainder of the term of the trustee whose
22 office has become vacant or expired.

23 (3) Except for the term of the student member, no more than the
24 terms of two members will expire simultaneously on the last day of
25 September in any one year.

26 (4) A student appointed under this section shall excuse himself or
27 herself from participation or voting on matters relating to the hiring,
28 discipline, or tenure of faculty members and personnel.

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