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By Senators Kilmer, Zarelli, Kastama, Hobbs, Delvin, Marr, Murray, and Kohl-Welles

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1 AN ACT Relating to commercializing research at state universities;  
2 and adding a new section to chapter 28B.63 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.63 RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6 The mission of the state universities, as defined in RCW  
7 28B.10.016, includes commercializing research that benefits the  
8 intermediate and long-term economic vitality of Washington and  
9 developing and strengthening university-industry relationships through  
10 the conduct of research, company and job creation, or state economic  
11 development programs. The state universities shall:

12 (1) Provide leading-edge collaborative research and technology  
13 transfer opportunities;

14 (2) Provide substantial opportunities for training undergraduate  
15 and graduate students through direct involvement in research and  
16 industry interactions; and

17 (3) Provide a forum for effective interaction between the state's  
18 technology-based industries and its academic institutions through

1 promotion of faculty collaboration with industry, particularly within  
2 Washington.

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