
SENATE BILL 5107

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1 AN ACT Relating to creating efficiencies in the Washington state
2 college and university system by consolidation; adding a new section to
3 chapter 28B.10 RCW; adding a new chapter to Title 28B RCW; creating new
4 sections; repealing RCW 28B.20.100, 28B.20.105, 28B.20.110, 28B.20.130,
5 28B.30.100, 28B.30.120, 28B.30.125, 28B.30.130, 28B.30.135, 28B.30.150,
6 28B.35.100, 28B.35.105, 28B.35.110, 28B.35.120, 28B.40.100, 28B.40.105,
7 28B.40.110, 28B.40.120, 28B.45.080, 28B.76.010, 28B.76.020, 28B.76.040,
8 28B.76.050, 28B.76.060, 28B.76.070, 28B.76.080, 28B.76.090, 28B.76.110,
9 28B.76.120, 28B.76.210, 28B.76.240, 28B.76.2401, 28B.76.500,
10 28B.76.510, 28B.76.520, 28B.76.530, 28B.76.540, 28B.76.640, 28B.76.645,
11 28B.76.650, 28B.76.660, 28B.76.665, 28C.18.005, 28C.18.010, 28C.18.020,
12 28C.18.030, 28C.18.040, 28C.18.050, and 28C.18.060; providing effective
13 dates; and declaring an emergency.

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

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** This act shall be known as the higher
16 education consolidation act.

17 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** The legislature finds that Washington needs
18 to reexamine and transform the way higher education programs and

1 services are delivered. Washington's adult citizens face significant
2 challenges in the coming years as they strive to meet the challenge of
3 an increasingly complex world. One arena that poses a major challenge
4 is Washington's economy. It is in the process of a radical
5 transformation from an economy heavily dependent on natural resources
6 to an economy that depends increasingly on the strength of
7 international trade, technology industries, and other emerging new
8 businesses. Successful economic transformations will require an
9 educated populace, able to compete in a technologically complex world.
10 Yet, enrollments in Washington's public baccalaureate institutions have
11 been strictly controlled. The state has not yet made a commitment to
12 providing enrollment opportunities for those new high school graduates.
13 Failure to provide postsecondary educational opportunities for those
14 graduates may well restrict their future earning power as well as the
15 state's economic health.

16 The legislature finds that Washington needs to find a way to
17 increase access to colleges and universities in a cost-effective
18 manner. Washington can no longer afford extensive program
19 duplications, low faculty-to-student ratios, modest faculty teaching
20 loads in some academic departments, and the amount of funding devoted
21 to administrative functions at public colleges and universities. In
22 order to assist the institutions to meet the challenges facing higher
23 education, the legislature intends to revise the governance structure
24 of the public baccalaureate college and universities. The legislature
25 further intends to create a consolidated governing board for those
26 institutions. The consolidated governing board will be able to reduce
27 unnecessary program duplications, increase the average teaching loads
28 of faculty members, prove the average amount of time needed to obtain
29 a degree, reduce administrative overhead, and advocate for the needs of
30 the baccalaureate system. The institutions will be able to concentrate
31 on meeting the needs of students and of members of the communities
32 served by the institutions. To assist the board in its work, the
33 legislature intends to reduce administrative requirements placed on the
34 institutions by state agencies and to provide a budgeting method that
35 includes incentive funding and performance based budgeting procedures.

36 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** Unless the context clearly requires

1 otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this
2 chapter.

3 (1) "Board" means the board of regents of the Washington state
4 college and university system.

5 (2) "System" means the Washington state college and university
6 system.

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** (1) The Washington state college and
8 university system is created. The system shall include, but need not
9 be limited to: The University of Washington, Washington State
10 University, Central Washington University, Eastern Washington
11 University, The Evergreen State College, Western Washington University,
12 and the branch campuses and extension centers of each of the
13 universities and the state college.

14 (2) Each state college and university shall retain:

15 (a) Separate accreditation;

16 (b) The power to establish academic standards including admissions
17 and graduation requirements;

18 (c) Individual branding, identification, trademarks, and mascots;
19 and

20 (d) Individual athletics, sports clubs, and league affiliations.

21 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** The governance of the Washington state
22 college and university system shall be vested in a board of regents
23 consisting of nineteen members. Members shall be appointed by the
24 governor with the consent of the senate, and may not serve more than
25 one year without confirmation. Confirmed members shall hold their
26 offices for a term of six years from the first day of October and until
27 their successors are appointed and qualified. Eighteen members of the
28 board shall be selected based on the congressional district in which
29 they reside as follows: Two members shall be selected from each
30 congressional district. Ten members of the board shall constitute a
31 quorum for the transaction of business. In the case of a vacancy, or
32 when an appointment is made after the date of the expiration of a term,
33 the governor shall fill the vacancy for the remainder of the term of
34 the regent whose office has become vacant or expired. No more than the
35 terms of three members may expire simultaneously on the last day of
36 September in any one year.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** The board may organize by electing from its
2 membership a president and an executive committee. If an executive
3 committee is appointed, the president shall be ex officio chair. The
4 board may adopt bylaws or rules for its own government. The board
5 shall hold regular meetings, at least quarterly, and during the interim
6 between such meetings the executive committee may transact business for
7 the whole board. The executive committee may call special meetings of
8 the whole board when such action is deemed necessary.

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 7.** (1) The board shall ensure that a record of
10 all board proceedings is carefully preserved.

11 (2) The board may appoint a nonvoting secretary and a treasurer who
12 shall hold their respective offices during the pleasure of the board
13 and carry out such respective duties as the board prescribes.

14 (3) If appointed, the treasurer shall give bond for the faithful
15 performance of the duties of his or her office in such amount as the
16 regents may require. The university shall pay the fee for such bond.

17 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 8.** The general powers and duties of the board
18 shall be as follows:

19 (1) To have full control of the system and its money and property
20 of various kinds, except as otherwise provided by law;

21 (2) To employ a chancellor for the system, a chief operating
22 officer or president for each campus of the system, assistants, members
23 of the faculty, and employees of each institution of higher education,
24 who except as otherwise provided by law, shall hold their positions
25 during the pleasure of the board;

26 (3) To establish entrance requirements for students seeking
27 admission to each campus of the system. The requirements shall meet or
28 exceed the standards specified under RCW 28B.76.290(2). Completion of
29 examinations satisfactory to the board may be a prerequisite for
30 entrance by any applicant at the board's discretion. Evidence of
31 completion of public high schools and other educational institutions
32 whose courses of study meet the approval of the board may be acceptable
33 for entrance;

34 (4) To establish such colleges, schools, or departments necessary
35 to carry out the purposes of the system and not otherwise proscribed by
36 law;

1 (5) With the assistance of the faculty of the system, to prescribe
2 the course of study in the various colleges, schools, and departments
3 of each campus of the system and publish the necessary catalogues
4 thereof;

5 (6) To grant to students such certificates or degrees as
6 recommended for such students by the faculty. The board, upon
7 recommendation of the faculty, may also confer honorary degrees upon
8 persons other than graduates of the system in recognition of their
9 learning or devotion to literature, art, or science, however no degree
10 may ever be conferred in consideration of the payment of money or the
11 giving of property of whatsoever kind;

12 (7) To accept such gifts, grants, conveyances, bequests, and
13 devises, whether real or personal property, or both, in trust or
14 otherwise, for the use or benefit of the system, its campuses, its
15 colleges, schools, departments, or agencies; and sell, lease or
16 exchange, invest, or expend the same or the proceeds, rents, profits,
17 and income thereof except as limited by the terms of the gifts, grants,
18 conveyances, bequests, and devises. The board shall adopt proper rules
19 to govern and protect the receipt and expenditure of the proceeds of
20 all fees, and the proceeds, rents, profits, and income of all gifts,
21 grants, conveyances, bequests, and devises accepted under this
22 subsection, and shall make full report of the same in the customary
23 biennial report to the governor and members of the legislature, or more
24 frequently if required by law;

25 (8) Except as otherwise provided by law, to enter into such
26 contracts as the regents deem essential to the purposes of the system
27 and its campuses;

28 (9) To submit upon request such reports as will be helpful to the
29 governor and to the legislature in providing for the system; and

30 (10) Subject to the approval of the higher education coordinating
31 board pursuant to RCW 28B.76.230, to offer new degree programs, offer
32 off-campus programs, participate in consortia or centers, contract for
33 off-campus educational programs, and purchase or lease major off-campus
34 facilities.

35 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 9.** In addition to the duties in sections 6
36 through 8 of this act, the board shall have the following additional
37 duties for Washington State University and its branch campuses:

1 (1) To collect such information as the board deems desirable as to
2 the schemes of technical instruction adopted in other parts of the
3 United States and foreign countries;

4 (2) To provide for holding agricultural institutes including farm
5 marketing forums;

6 (3) To provide that instruction, as far as practicable, be conveyed
7 by means of laboratory work and provide one or more physical, chemical,
8 and biological laboratories, and suitably furnish and equip the
9 laboratories;

10 (4) To provide training in military tactics for those students
11 electing to participate in military tactics;

12 (5) To establish a department of elementary science and in
13 connection therewith provide instruction in elementary mathematics,
14 including elementary trigonometry, elementary mechanics, elementary and
15 mechanical drawing, and land surveying;

16 (6) To establish a department of agriculture and in connection
17 therewith provide instruction in physics with special application of
18 its principles to agriculture, chemistry with special application of
19 its principles to agriculture, morphology and physiology of plants with
20 special reference to common grown crops and fungus enemies, morphology
21 and physiology of the lower forms of animal life, with special
22 reference to insect pests, morphology and physiology of the higher
23 forms of animal life and in particular of the horse, cow, sheep, and
24 swine, agriculture with special reference to the breeding and feeding
25 of livestock and the best mode of cultivation of farm produce, and
26 mining and metallurgy, appointing demonstrators in each of these
27 subjects to superintend the equipment of a laboratory and to give
28 practical instruction therein;

29 (7) To establish agricultural experiment stations in connection
30 with the department of agriculture, including at least one in the
31 western portion of the state, and appoint the officers and prescribe
32 rules for their management;

33 (8) To receive and expend the money appropriated under the act of
34 congress approved May 8, 1914, entitled "An Act to provide for
35 cooperative agricultural extension work between the agricultural
36 colleges in the several States receiving the benefits of the Act of
37 Congress approved July 2, 1862, and Acts supplemental thereto and the

1 United States Department of Agriculture" and organize and conduct
2 agricultural extension work in accordance with the terms and conditions
3 expressed in the acts of congress;

4 (9) To acquire by lease, gift, or otherwise, lands necessary to
5 further the work of the system or for experimental or demonstrational
6 purposes;

7 (10) To establish and maintain at least one agricultural experiment
8 station in an irrigation district to conduct investigational work upon
9 the principles and practices of irrigational agriculture including the
10 use of water and its relation to soil types, crops, climatic
11 conditions, ditch and drain construction, fertility investigations,
12 plant disease, insect pests, marketing, farm management, use of fruit
13 byproducts, and general development of agriculture under irrigation
14 conditions;

15 (11) To supervise and control the agricultural experiment station
16 at Puyallup;

17 (12) To establish and maintain at Wenatchee an agricultural
18 experiment substation for the purpose of conducting investigational
19 work upon the principles and practices of orchard culture, spraying,
20 fertilization, pollenization, new fruit varieties, fruit diseases and
21 pests, byproducts, marketing, management, and general horticultural
22 problems; and

23 (13) To construct when the board so determines a new foundry and a
24 mining, physical, technological building and fabrication shop, or add
25 to the present foundry and other buildings, in order that both
26 instruction and research be expanded to include permanent molding and
27 die casting with a section for new fabricating techniques, especially
28 for light metals, including magnesium and aluminum; purchase equipment
29 for the shops and laboratories in mechanical, electrical, and civil
30 engineering; establish a pilot plant for the extraction of alumina from
31 native clays and other possible light metal research; purchase
32 equipment for a research laboratory for technological research
33 generally; and purchase equipment for research in electronics,
34 instrumentation, energy sources, plastics, food technology, mechanics
35 of materials, hydraulics, and similar fields.

36 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 10.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.10
37 RCW to read as follows:

1 (1) The governing boards of the University of Washington,
2 Washington State University, the regional universities, and The
3 Evergreen State College are hereby abolished and their powers, duties,
4 and functions are hereby transferred to the board of regents of the
5 Washington state college and university system. All references to the
6 trustees, regents, or the governing boards of the University of
7 Washington, Washington State University, the regional universities, and
8 The Evergreen State College in the Revised Code of Washington shall be
9 construed to mean the board of regents of the Washington state college
10 and university system.

11 (2)(a) All reports, documents, surveys, books, records, files,
12 papers, or written material in the possession of the governing boards
13 of the University of Washington, Washington State University, the
14 regional universities, and The Evergreen State College shall be
15 delivered to the custody of the board of regents of the Washington
16 state system. All cabinets, furniture, office equipment, motor
17 vehicles, and other tangible property employed by the governing boards
18 of the University of Washington, Washington State University, the
19 regional universities, and The Evergreen State College shall be made
20 available to the board of regents of the Washington state college and
21 university system. All funds, credits, or other assets held by the
22 governing boards of the University of Washington, Washington State
23 University, the regional universities, and The Evergreen State College
24 shall be assigned to the board of regents of the Washington state
25 college and university system.

26 (b) Any appropriations made to the governing boards of the
27 University of Washington, Washington State University, the regional
28 universities, and The Evergreen State College shall, on the effective
29 date of this section, be transferred and credited to the board of
30 regents of the Washington state college and university system.

31 (c) If any question arises as to the transfer of any personnel,
32 funds, books, documents, records, papers, files, equipment, or other
33 tangible property used or held in the exercise of the powers and the
34 performance of the duties and functions transferred, the director of
35 financial management shall make a determination as to the proper
36 allocation and certify the same to the state agencies concerned.

37 (3) All employees of the governing boards of the University of
38 Washington, Washington State University, the regional universities, and

1 The Evergreen State College are transferred to the jurisdiction of the
2 board of regents of the Washington state college and university system.
3 All employees classified under chapter 41.06 RCW, the state civil
4 service law, are assigned to the board of regents of the Washington
5 state college and university system to perform their usual duties upon
6 the same terms as formerly, without any loss of rights, subject to any
7 action that may be appropriate thereafter in accordance with the laws
8 and rules governing state civil service.

9 (4) All rules and all pending business before the governing boards
10 of the University of Washington, Washington State University, the
11 regional universities, and The Evergreen State College shall be
12 continued and acted upon by the board of regents of the Washington
13 state college and university system. All existing contracts and
14 obligations shall remain in full force and shall be performed by the
15 board of regents of the Washington state college and university system.

16 (5) The transfer of the powers, duties, functions, and personnel of
17 the governing boards of the University of Washington, Washington State
18 University, the regional universities, and The Evergreen State College
19 shall not affect the validity of any act performed before the effective
20 date of this section.

21 (6) If apportionments of budgeted funds are required because of the
22 transfers directed by this section, the director of financial
23 management shall certify the apportionments to the agencies affected,
24 the state auditor, and the state treasurer. Each of these shall make
25 the appropriate transfer and adjustments in funds and appropriation
26 accounts and equipment records in accordance with the certification.

27 (7) All classified employees transferred under this section shall
28 become a part of a bargaining unit of the board of regents of the
29 Washington state college and university system and it shall be
30 considered an appropriate modification of the existing bargaining unit
31 under the provisions of chapter 41.80 RCW.

32 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 11.** The Washington state college and university
33 system shall have no more than one full-time equivalent position
34 assigned to perform governmental relations functions.

35 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 12.** The following acts or parts of acts are
36 each repealed:

- 1 (1) RCW 28B.20.100 (Regents--Appointment--Terms--Vacancies--Quorum)
2 and 2006 c 78 s 1, 1998 c 95 s 1, 1985 c 61 s 1, 1979 ex.s. c 103 s 2,
3 1973 c 62 s 7, & 1969 ex.s. c 223 s 28B.20.100;
- 4 (2) RCW 28B.20.105 (Regents--Organization and conduct of business--
5 Bylaws, rules and regulations--Meetings) and 1969 ex.s. c 223 s
6 28B.20.105;
- 7 (3) RCW 28B.20.110 (Regents--Secretary--Treasurer--Duties--
8 Treasurer's bond) and 1969 ex.s. c 223 s 28B.20.110;
- 9 (4) RCW 28B.20.130 (Powers and duties of regents--General) and 2010
10 c 51 s 1, 2004 c 275 s 52, 1998 c 245 s 16, 1985 c 370 s 92, 1977 c 75
11 s 20, & 1969 ex.s. c 223 s 28B.20.130;
- 12 (5) RCW 28B.30.100 (Regents--Appointment--Terms--Vacancies--
13 Quorum--Bond) and 2006 c 78 s 2, 1998 c 95 s 2, 1985 c 61 s 2, 1979
14 ex.s. c 103 s 3, 1973 c 62 s 10, & 1969 ex.s. c 223 s 28B.30.100;
- 15 (6) RCW 28B.30.120 (Regents--Meetings--Vacancy not to affect rights
16 of remaining members) and 1979 ex.s. c 103 s 6 & 1969 ex.s. c 223 s
17 28B.30.120;
- 18 (7) RCW 28B.30.125 (Regents--Board organization--President--
19 President's duties--Bylaws, laws) and 1969 ex.s. c 223 s 28B.30.125;
- 20 (8) RCW 28B.30.130 (Regents--Treasurer of board--Bond--Disbursement
21 of funds by) and 1969 ex.s. c 223 s 28B.30.130;
- 22 (9) RCW 28B.30.135 (Regents--University president as secretary of
23 board--Duties--Bond) and 1969 ex.s. c 223 s 28B.30.135;
- 24 (10) RCW 28B.30.150 (Regents--General powers and duties) and 2010
25 c 51 s 2, 2004 c 275 s 53, 1998 c 245 s 19, 1985 c 370 s 93, 1977 c 75
26 s 21, 1973 1st ex.s. c 154 s 47, & 1969 ex.s. c 223 s 28B.30.150;
- 27 (11) RCW 28B.35.100 (Trustees--Appointment--Terms--Quorum--
28 Vacancies) and 2006 c 78 s 3, 1998 c 95 s 3, 1985 c 137 s 1, 1979 ex.s.
29 c 103 s 4, & 1977 ex.s. c 169 s 45;
- 30 (12) RCW 28B.35.105 (Trustees--Organization and officers of board--
31 Quorum) and 1977 ex.s. c 169 s 46;
- 32 (13) RCW 28B.35.110 (Trustees--Meetings of board) and 1977 ex.s. c
33 169 s 47;
- 34 (14) RCW 28B.35.120 (Trustees--General powers and duties of board)
35 and 2006 c 263 s 824, 2004 c 275 s 54, 1985 c 370 s 94, & 1977 ex.s. c
36 169 s 48;
- 37 (15) RCW 28B.40.100 (Trustees--Appointment--Terms--Quorum--

1 Vacancies) and 2006 c 78 s 4, 1998 c 95 s 4, 1985 c 137 s 2, 1979 ex.s.
2 c 103 s 5, 1977 ex.s. c 169 s 65, 1973 c 62 s 11, & 1969 ex.s. c 223 s
3 28B.40.100;

4 (16) RCW 28B.40.105 (Trustees--Organization and officers of board--
5 Quorum) and 1977 ex.s. c 169 s 66 & 1969 ex.s. c 223 s 28B.40.105;

6 (17) RCW 28B.40.110 (Trustees--Meetings of board) and 1977 ex.s. c
7 169 s 67 & 1969 ex.s. c 223 s 28B.40.110;

8 (18) RCW 28B.40.120 (Trustees--General powers and duties of board)
9 and 2006 c 263 s 825, 2004 c 275 s 56, 1985 c 370 s 95, 1977 ex.s. c
10 169 s 68, & 1969 ex.s. c 223 s 28B.40.120;

11 (19) RCW 28B.45.080 (Partnership between community and technical
12 colleges and branch campuses) and 2004 c 57 s 5 & 1989 1st ex.s. c 7 s
13 8;

14 (20) RCW 28B.76.010 (Board created) and 1985 c 370 s 1;

15 (21) RCW 28B.76.020 (Definitions) and 2010 c 245 s 4 & 1985 c 370
16 s 2;

17 (22) RCW 28B.76.040 (Members--Appointment) and 2002 c 348 s 1, 2002
18 c 129 s 1, & 1985 c 370 s 10;

19 (23) RCW 28B.76.050 (Members--Terms) and 2007 c 458 s 101, 2004 c
20 275 s 3, 2002 c 129 s 2, & 1985 c 370 s 11;

21 (24) RCW 28B.76.060 (Members--Vacancies) and 1985 c 370 s 12;

22 (25) RCW 28B.76.070 (Bylaws--Meetings) and 1985 c 370 s 13;

23 (26) RCW 28B.76.080 (Members--Compensation and travel expenses) and
24 1985 c 370 s 16, 1984 c 287 s 65, 1975-'76 2nd ex.s. c 34 s 77, & 1969
25 ex.s. c 277 s 12;

26 (27) RCW 28B.76.090 (Director--Duties--Board use of state agencies)
27 and 2007 c 458 s 102, 2004 c 275 s 4, 1987 c 330 s 301, & 1985 c 370 s
28 14;

29 (28) RCW 28B.76.110 (Board as state commission for federal law
30 purposes) and 2004 c 275 s 5, 1985 c 370 s 20, & 1975 1st ex.s. c 132
31 s 9;

32 (29) RCW 28B.76.120 (Adoption of rules) and 1985 c 370 s 8;

33 (30) RCW 28B.76.210 (Budget priorities and levels of funding--
34 Guidelines for institutions--Review and evaluation of budget requests--
35 Recommendations) and 2010 c 245 s 10, 2008 c 205 s 4, 2007 c 458 s 202,
36 2004 c 275 s 7, 2003 c 130 s 3, 1997 c 369 s 10, 1996 c 174 s 1, 1993
37 c 363 s 6, & 1985 c 370 s 4;

1 (31) RCW 28B.76.240 (Statewide transfer and articulation policies)
2 and 2004 c 275 s 10, 1998 c 245 s 23, 1985 c 370 s 27, & 1983 c 304 s
3 1;

4 (32) RCW 28B.76.2401 (Statewide transfer of credit policy and
5 agreement--Requirements) and 2004 c 55 s 5 & 1983 c 304 s 2;

6 (33) RCW 28B.76.500 (Student financial aid programs--Administration
7 by board--College information web-based portal) and 2009 c 215 s 7,
8 1985 c 370 s 23, & 1975 1st ex.s. c 132 s 15;

9 (34) RCW 28B.76.510 (Board to administer certain federal programs)
10 and 1985 c 370 s 21 & 1975 1st ex.s. c 132 s 12;

11 (35) RCW 28B.76.520 (Federal funds, private gifts or grants, board
12 to administer) and 1985 c 370 s 22 & 1975 1st ex.s. c 132 s 14;

13 (36) RCW 28B.76.530 (Board may develop and administer demonstration
14 projects) and 1989 c 306 s 2;

15 (37) RCW 28B.76.540 (Administrative responsibilities) and 2004 c
16 275 s 18, 1998 c 245 s 24, 1995 1st sp.s. c 9 s 12, 1990 c 33 s 561,
17 1986 c 136 s 20, & 1985 c 370 s 7;

18 (38) RCW 28B.76.640 (Board to coordinate state participation within
19 student exchange compact programs--Designate certifying officer) and
20 1985 c 370 s 17 & 1974 ex.s. c 4 s 3;

21 (39) RCW 28B.76.645 (Board to coordinate state participation within
22 student exchange compact programs--Criteria--Washington interstate
23 commission on higher education professional student exchange program
24 trust fund) and 2004 c 275 s 23, 1995 c 217 s 1, 1985 c 370 s 18, &
25 1974 ex.s. c 4 s 4;

26 (40) RCW 28B.76.650 (Board to coordinate state participation within
27 student exchange compact programs--Advice to governor, legislature) and
28 1985 c 370 s 19 & 1974 ex.s. c 4 s 5;

29 (41) RCW 28B.76.660 (Washington scholars award and Washington
30 scholars-alternate award) and 2005 c 518 s 917, 2004 c 275 s 24, 1999
31 c 159 s 3, 1995 1st sp.s. c 5 s 3, 1990 c 33 s 560, & 1988 c 210 s 1;

32 (42) RCW 28B.76.665 (Washington scholars award waivers or grants--
33 Transfers between colleges and universities) and 2004 c 275 s 25, 1995
34 1st sp.s. c 5 s 4, & 1988 c 210 s 2;

35 (43) RCW 28C.18.005 (Findings) and 1996 c 99 s 1 & 1991 c 238 s 1;

36 (44) RCW 28C.18.010 (Definitions) and 2009 c 151 s 5, 2008 c 103 s
37 2, 1996 c 99 s 2, & 1991 c 238 s 2;

1 (45) RCW 28C.18.020 (Workforce training and education coordinating
2 board) and 2010 c 128 s 6 & 1991 c 238 s 3;

3 (46) RCW 28C.18.030 (Purpose of the board) and 1996 c 99 s 3 & 1991
4 c 238 s 4;

5 (47) RCW 28C.18.040 (Director's duties) and 1994 c 154 s 307 & 1991
6 c 238 s 5;

7 (48) RCW 28C.18.050 (Board designation and functions for federal
8 purposes--Monitoring state plans for consistency) and 1995 c 130 s 3 &
9 1991 c 238 s 6; and

10 (49) RCW 28C.18.060 (Board's duties) and 2009 c 151 s 6, 2008 c 212
11 s 2, 2007 c 149 s 1, 1996 c 99 s 4, 1993 c 280 s 17, & 1991 c 238 s 7.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 13.** The council of presidents is abolished.

13 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 14.** The house of representatives and the senate
14 higher education and fiscal committees shall report to the legislature
15 by December 1, 2011, their recommendations and draft legislation to
16 conform existing higher education statutes to the system of higher
17 education governance in this act. The recommendations shall include
18 but need not be limited to: (1) Methods of increasing access in a cost
19 effective manner; (2) optional budgeting systems that will provide
20 performance-based budgeting procedures and incentive funding methods;
21 and (3) methods for accomplishing any vital responsibilities of the
22 higher education coordinating board and the work force training and
23 education coordinating board.

24 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 15.** (1) The governor shall appoint the board of
25 regents created in section 5 of this act no later than November 1,
26 2011.

27 (2) The board of regents shall begin meeting as soon as possible
28 after appointment in order to plan for the orderly transition of
29 baccalaureate institutions of higher education to the jurisdiction of
30 the board.

31 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 16.** Sections 1 through 9 of this act constitute
32 a new chapter in Title 28B RCW.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 17.** Sections 5 and 14 of this act are necessary
2 for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety,
3 or support of the state government and its existing public
4 institutions, and take effect July 1, 2012.

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 18.** Sections 1 through 4 and 6 through 13 of
6 this act take effect July 1, 2012.

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