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1 AN ACT Relating to allowing nonprofit institutions recognized by
2 the state of Washington to be eligible to participate in the state need
3 grant program; amending RCW 28B.92.030; and providing an effective
4 date.

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

6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28B.92.030 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 11 s 159 are each
7 amended to read as follows:

8 As used in this chapter:

9 (1) "Disadvantaged student" means a posthigh school student who by
10 reason of adverse cultural, educational, environmental, experiential,
11 familial or other circumstances is unable to qualify for enrollment as
12 a full-time student in an institution of higher education, who would
13 otherwise qualify as a needy student, and who is attending an
14 institution of higher education under an established program designed
15 to qualify the student for enrollment as a full-time student.

16 (2) "Financial aid" means loans and/or grants to needy students
17 enrolled or accepted for enrollment as a student at institutions of
18 higher education.

19 (3) "Institution" or "institutions of higher education" means:

1 (a) Any public university, college, community college, or technical
2 college operated by the state of Washington or any political
3 subdivision thereof; or

4 (b) Any other university, college, school, or institute in the
5 state of Washington offering instruction beyond the high school level
6 which is a member institution of an accrediting association recognized
7 by rule of the board for the purposes of this section: PROVIDED, That
8 any institution, branch, extension or facility operating within the
9 state of Washington which is affiliated with an institution operating
10 in another state must be: (i) A separately accredited member
11 institution of any such accrediting association, or (ii) a branch of a
12 member institution of an accrediting association recognized by rule of
13 the board for purposes of this section, that is eligible for federal
14 student financial aid assistance and has operated as a nonprofit
15 college or university delivering on-site classroom instruction for a
16 minimum of twenty consecutive years within the state of Washington, and
17 has an annual enrollment of at least seven hundred full-time equivalent
18 students, or (iii) a nonprofit institution recognized by the state of
19 Washington as provided in RCW 28B.76.695: PROVIDED FURTHER, That no
20 institution of higher education shall be eligible to participate in a
21 student financial aid program unless it agrees to and complies with
22 program rules (~~and regulations~~) adopted pursuant to RCW 28B.92.150.

23 (4) "Needy student" means a posthigh school student of an
24 institution of higher education who demonstrates to the board the
25 financial inability, either through the student's parents, family
26 and/or personally, to meet the total cost of board, room, books, and
27 tuition and incidental fees for any semester or quarter. "Needy
28 student" also means an opportunity internship graduate as defined by
29 RCW 28C.18.162 who enrolls in a postsecondary program of study as
30 defined in RCW 28C.18.162 within one year of high school graduation.

31 (5) "Office" means the office of student financial assistance.

32 (6) "Placebound student" means a student who (a) is unable to
33 complete a college program because of family or employment commitments,
34 health concerns, monetary inability, or other similar factors; and (b)
35 may be influenced by the receipt of an enhanced student financial aid
36 award to complete a baccalaureate degree at an eligible institution.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act takes effect July 1, 2012.

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