
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1843

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By House Higher Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Pollet, Seaquist, Tarleton, Ryu, and Tharinger)

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1 AN ACT Relating to evaluating compliance and performance for
2 participation in financial aid programs; and amending RCW 28B.92.050.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28B.92.050 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 11 s 161 are each
5 amended to read as follows:

6 The office shall have the following powers and duties:

7 (1) Conduct a full analysis of student financial aid as a means of:

8 (a) Fulfilling educational aspirations of students of the state of
9 Washington((~~7~~)); and

10 (b) Improving the general, social, cultural, and economic character
11 of the state.

12 Such an analysis will be a continuous one and will yield current
13 information relevant to needed improvements in the state program of
14 student financial aid. The office will disseminate the information
15 yielded by their analyses to all appropriate individuals and agents.

16 (2) Monitor compliance of participating institutions of higher
17 education with financial aid program rules and regulations, and
18 evaluate continued participation based on performance, including but
19 not limited to administrative capability, electronic systems, standing

1 with accreditation bodies, and standing with the United States
2 department of education, including collection of additional data from
3 for-profit institutions necessary to evaluate the ability of the
4 institution to meet commitments to students receiving state aid.

5 (3) Provide training and assistance to institutions of higher
6 education regarding financial aid program rules and regulations.

7 (4) Impose conditions or terminate the participation of an
8 institution of higher education in state financial aid programs if the
9 institution of higher education puts state funds at risk or fails to
10 comply with program rules and regulations, as determined by the
11 council.

12 (5) Develop rigorous standards for review for participation of new
13 institutions of higher education in state financial aid programs.

14 (6) Design a state program of student financial aid based on the
15 data of the study referred to in this section. The state programs will
16 supplement available federal and local aid programs. The state
17 programs of student financial aid will not exceed the difference
18 between the budgetary costs of attending an institution of higher
19 education and the student's total resources, including family support,
20 personal savings, employment, and federal, state, and local aid
21 programs.

22 ~~((+3))~~ (7) Determine and establish criteria for financial need of
23 the individual applicant based upon the consideration of that
24 particular applicant. In making this determination the office shall
25 consider the following:

26 (a) Assets and income of the student~~((-))~~;

27 (b) Assets and income of the parents, or the individuals legally
28 responsible for the care and maintenance of the student~~((-))~~;

29 (c) The cost of attending the institution of higher education the
30 student is attending or planning to attend~~((-))~~; and

31 (d) Any other criteria deemed relevant to the office.

32 ~~((+4))~~ (8) Set the amount of financial aid to be awarded to any
33 individual needy or disadvantaged student in any school year.

34 ~~((+5))~~ (9) Award financial aid to needy or disadvantaged students
35 for a school year based upon only that amount necessary to fill the
36 financial gap between the budgetary cost of attending an institution of
37 higher education and the family and student contribution.

1 (~~(6)~~) (10) Review the need and eligibility of all applications on
2 an annual basis and adjust financial aid to reflect changes in the
3 financial need of the recipients and the cost of attending the
4 institution of higher education.

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