

2SSB 5800 - H COMM AMD
By Committee on Appropriations

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.50
4 RCW to read as follows:

5 (1) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this
6 specific purpose, the college board shall select four college
7 districts, two on each side of the crest of the Cascade mountain
8 range, to participate in a pilot program to provide assistance to
9 students experiencing homelessness and to students who were in the
10 foster care system when they graduated high school. The college
11 districts chosen to participate in the pilot program must provide
12 certain accommodations to these students that may include, but are
13 not limited to, the following:

- 14 (a) Access to laundry facilities;
- 15 (b) Access to storage;
- 16 (c) Access to locker room and shower facilities;
- 17 (d) Reduced-price meals or meal plans, and access to food banks;
- 18 (e) Access to technology;
- 19 (f) Access to short-term housing or housing assistance,
20 especially during seasonal breaks; and
- 21 (g) Case management services.

22 (2) The college districts may also establish plans to develop
23 surplus property for affordable housing to accommodate the needs of
24 students experiencing homelessness and students who were in the
25 foster care system when they graduated high school.

26 (3) The college districts participating in the pilot program
27 shall provide a joint report to the appropriate committees of the
28 legislature by December 1, 2023, that includes at least the following
29 information:

- 30 (a) The number of students experiencing homelessness or food
31 insecurity, and the number of students who were in the foster care
32 system when they graduated high school who were attending a community

1 or technical college during the pilot program. The college board
2 shall coordinate with all of the community and technical colleges to
3 collect voluntary data on how many students experiencing homelessness
4 or food insecurity are attending the community and technical
5 colleges;

6 (b) The number of students assisted by the pilot program;

7 (c) Strategies for accommodating students experiencing
8 homelessness or food insecurity, and former foster care students; and

9 (d) Legislative recommendations for how students experiencing
10 homelessness or food insecurity, and former foster care students
11 could be better served.

12 (4) The college districts not selected to participate in the
13 pilot program are:

14 (a) Invited to participate voluntarily; and

15 (b) Encouraged to submit the data required of the pilot program
16 participants under subsection (3) of this section, regardless of
17 participation status.

18 (5) The pilot program expires July 1, 2023.

19 (6) This section expires January 1, 2024.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.77
21 RCW to read as follows:

22 (1) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this
23 specific purpose, the council shall select two public four-year
24 institutions of higher education, one on each side of the crest of
25 the Cascade mountain range, to participate in a pilot program to
26 provide assistance to students experiencing homelessness and to
27 students who were in the foster care system when they graduated high
28 school. The four-year institutions of higher education chosen to
29 participate in the pilot program must provide certain accommodations
30 to these students that may include, but are not limited to, the
31 following:

32 (a) Access to laundry facilities;

33 (b) Access to storage;

34 (c) Access to locker room and shower facilities;

35 (d) Reduced-price meals or meal plans, and access to food banks;

36 (e) Access to technology;

37 (f) Access to short-term housing or housing assistance,
38 especially during seasonal breaks; and

39 (g) Case management services.

1 (2) The four-year institutions of higher education may also
2 establish plans to develop surplus property for affordable housing to
3 accommodate the needs of students experiencing homelessness and
4 students who were in the foster care system when they graduated high
5 school.

6 (3) The four-year institutions of higher education participating
7 in the pilot program shall provide a joint report to the appropriate
8 committees of the legislature by December 1, 2023, that includes at
9 least the following information:

10 (a) The number of students experiencing homelessness or food
11 insecurity, and the number of students who were in the foster care
12 system when they graduated high school who were attending a four-year
13 institution of higher education during the pilot program. The council
14 shall coordinate with all of the four-year institutions of higher
15 education to collect voluntary data on how many students experiencing
16 homelessness or food insecurity are attending the four-year
17 institutions of higher education;

18 (b) The number of students assisted by the pilot program;

19 (c) Strategies for accommodating students experiencing
20 homelessness or food insecurity, and former foster care students; and

21 (d) Legislative recommendations for how students experiencing
22 homelessness or food insecurity, and former foster care students
23 could be better served.

24 (4) The four-year institutions of higher education not selected
25 to participate in the pilot program are:

26 (a) Invited to participate voluntarily; and

27 (b) Encouraged to submit the data required of the pilot program
28 participants under subsection (3) of this section, regardless of
29 participation status.

30 (5) The pilot program expires July 1, 2023.

31 (6) This section expires January 1, 2024.

32 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** If specific funding for the purposes of
33 this act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not
34 provided by June 30, 2019, in the omnibus appropriations act, this
35 act is null and void."

36 Correct the title.

EFFECT: (1) Requires the four-year institutions and community or technical colleges participating in the pilot programs to add data on students experiencing food insecurity to the report to the legislature.

(2) Adds a null and void clause. The bill is null and void unless funded in the budget.

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