
SECOND SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5355

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By Senate Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Orwall, Slatter, Dhingra, Hasegawa, Nobles, Stanford, Trudeau, Valdez, and C. Wilson)

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1 AN ACT Relating to improving safety at institutions of higher
2 education while supporting student survivors of sexual assault;
3 amending RCW 28B.10.735; and adding a new section to chapter 28B.112
4 RCW.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.112
7 RCW to read as follows:

8 Postsecondary educational institutions may not propose, request,
9 or pressure a student reporting sexual misconduct in a complaint
10 filed with the institution under Title IX or otherwise, with law
11 enforcement, or in a civil court action to enter into a nondisclosure
12 agreement relating to the alleged sexual misconduct by another
13 student or employee of the institution.

14 **Sec. 2.** RCW 28B.10.735 and 2020 c 39 s 3 are each amended to
15 read as follows:

16 (1) Within existing resources, (~~every institution of higher~~
17 ~~education as defined in RCW 28B.10.016 that issues~~) student
18 identification cards, faculty or staff identification cards, or both,
19 must have printed on either side of the identification cards:

1 (a) The contact information for a national suicide prevention
2 organization; (~~and~~)

3 (b) The contact information for one or more campus, local, state,
4 or national organizations specializing in suicide prevention, crisis
5 intervention, or counseling, if available; and

6 (c) The phone number of a regional community-based organization
7 focused on survivors of sexual assault, sexual harassment, and sex-
8 based and gender-based violence that provides 24/7 support.

9 (2) (a) The requirements in subsection (1) (a) and (b) of this
10 section apply to student identification cards and faculty or staff
11 identification cards issued for the first time and issued to replace
12 a damaged or lost identification card at an institution of higher
13 education as defined in RCW 28B.10.016.

14 (b) The requirements in subsection (1) (c) of this section apply
15 to student identification cards issued for the first time and issued
16 to replace a damaged or lost identification card at a state
17 university, regional university, and the state college, as defined in
18 RCW 28B.10.016.

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