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By House Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Johnson, Santos, Haler, Appleton, Sells, S. Hunt, Gregerson, Reykdal, Bergquist, Van De Wege, Hargrove, Ormsby, Fey, and Walkinshaw)

1 AN ACT Relating to expanding participation in college in the high
2 school programs; and amending RCW 28A.600.290.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.600.290 and 2012 c 229 s 801 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) The superintendent of public instruction, the state board for
7 community and technical colleges, and the public baccalaureate
8 institutions shall jointly develop and each adopt rules governing the
9 college in the high school program. The association of Washington
10 school principals shall be consulted during the rules development.
11 The rules shall be written to encourage the maximum use of the
12 program and may not narrow or limit the enrollment options.

13 (2) College in the high school programs shall each be governed by
14 a local contract between the district and the institution of higher
15 education, in compliance with the guidelines adopted by the
16 superintendent of public instruction, the state board for community
17 and technical colleges, and the public baccalaureate institutions.

18 (3) The college in the high school program must include the
19 provisions in this subsection.

1 (a) The high school and institution of higher education together
2 shall define the criteria for student eligibility. The institution of
3 higher education may charge tuition fees to participating students.

4 (b) School districts shall report no student for more than one
5 full-time equivalent including college in the high school courses.

6 (c) The funds received by the institution of higher education may
7 not be deemed tuition or operating fees and may be retained by the
8 institution of higher education.

9 (d) Enrollment information on persons registered under this
10 section must be maintained by the institution of higher education
11 separately from other enrollment information and may not be included
12 in official enrollment reports, nor may such persons be considered in
13 any enrollment statistics that would affect higher education
14 budgetary determinations.

15 (e) A school district must grant high school credit to a student
16 enrolled in a program course if the student successfully completes
17 the course. If no comparable course is offered by the school
18 district, the school district superintendent shall determine how many
19 credits to award for the course. The determination shall be made in
20 writing before the student enrolls in the course. The credits shall
21 be applied toward graduation requirements and subject area
22 requirements. Evidence of successful completion of each program
23 course shall be included in the student's secondary school records
24 and transcript.

25 (f) An institution of higher education must grant college credit
26 to a student enrolled in a program course if the student successfully
27 completes the course. The college credit shall be applied toward
28 general education requirements or major requirements, except at The
29 Evergreen State College where credit must be applied toward degree
30 requirements. If no comparable course is offered by the college, the
31 institution of higher education at which the teacher of the program
32 course is employed shall determine: (i) How many credits to award for
33 the course; and (ii) whether the course fulfills general education or
34 major requirements, except at The Evergreen State College where
35 credit must be applied toward degree requirements. Evidence of
36 successful completion of each program course must be included in the
37 student's college transcript.

38 (g) Tenth, eleventh, and twelfth grade students or students who
39 have not yet received a high school diploma or its equivalent and are

1 eligible to be in the tenth, eleventh, or twelfth grade((s)) may
2 participate in the college in the high school program.

3 (h) Participating school districts must provide general
4 information about the college in the high school program to all
5 students in grades ((~~ten, eleven, and~~)) nine through twelve and to
6 the parents and guardians of those students.

7 (i) Full-time and part-time faculty at institutions of higher
8 education, including adjunct faculty, are eligible to teach program
9 courses.

10 (4) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this
11 section.

12 (a) "Institution of higher education" has the meaning in RCW
13 28B.10.016 and also includes a public tribal college located in
14 Washington and accredited by the Northwest commission on colleges and
15 universities or another accrediting association recognized by the
16 United States department of education.

17 (b) "Program course" means a college course offered in a high
18 school under the college in the high school program.

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