NEW SECTION. Sec. 29. This act shall be known and cited as the Washington Industrial Safety and Health Act of 1973.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 30. If any provision of this act, or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act, or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 31. Sections 1 through 27 and section 29 of this act shall constitute a new chapter in Title 49 RCW.

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CHAPTER 81
[Senate Bill No. 2194]
NEEDY OR DISADVANTAGED STUDENTS--
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS

40 AN ACT Relating to needy or disadvantaged elementary and secondary
41 students; adding a new section to chapter 223, Laws of 1969
42 ex. sess. and to chapter 28A.04 RCW; adding new sections to
43 chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and to chapter 28A.58 RCW;
44 and providing penalties.
45 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

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NEW SECTION. Section 1. There is added to chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and to chapter 28A.04 RCW a new section to read as follows:

In addition to other powers and duties, the state board of education shall adopt rules and regulations for the administration of a student financial assistance program for needy and disadvantaged elementary and secondary students as provided for in sections 2 through 7 of this 1973 act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. As used in sections 1 through 7 of this 1973 act:

(1) "Approved elementary school" shall mean a public or private school carrying out any or all of grades one through eight and approved by the state board of education as provided in RCW 28A.04.120(4).

(2) "Accredited secondary school" shall mean a public or private school carrying out any or all of grades nine through twelve and accredited by the state board of education as provided in RCW 28A.04.120(4).

(3) "Needy student" shall mean a student accepted at or attending an approved elementary or accredited secondary school who demonstrates to the state board of education the financial inability of such student's family to meet the total cost of supplies, books, tuition, and incidental and other fees for any school term. Board and room may be considered by the state board of education as a factor in financial inability only in those cases where living apart from the family is deemed necessary for the educational advancement of the student.

(4) "Disadvantaged student" shall mean a student attending an approved elementary or accredited secondary school who by reason of adverse cultural, educational, environmental, experimental, familial, or other circumstances is deemed by the state board of education as being highly probable of not continuing in the school the student is enrolled in either on a part or full time basis, without financial assistance.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. The state board of education shall determine and establish criteria for ascertaining the financial need of the individual applicant. In making this determination the state board of education shall consider the following:

(1) Assets and income of the student;

(2) Assets and income of the parents or the individuals legally responsible for the care and maintenance of the student;

(3) The cost of attending the school the student is attending or planning to attend; and

(4) All other criteria deemed relevant to the state board of education.
The amount awarded by the state board of education to any one student in any one school year shall not exceed the financial gap between the budgetary cost of attending an approved elementary school or accredited secondary school in the state of Washington and the family and student contribution: PROVIDED, That the maximum state grant of financial assistance shall not exceed in any one school year, including summer sessions, the sum of three hundred dollars per secondary student and one hundred dollars per elementary student: PROVIDED FURTHER, That no student shall be granted financial assistance to attend a private school unless the financial assistance required from the state, after other scholarship grants and loans are deducted, is three hundred dollars per year or less per secondary student and one hundred dollars per year or less per elementary student: AND PROVIDED FURTHER, That a substantial portion, and in any event not less than twenty-five percent of the students receiving assistance under the authority granted in this 1973 act, shall be students attending the public schools.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. The state board of education shall make awards to needy and disadvantaged students on a priority basis by ranking the qualified applicants according to financial need and such other considerations as deemed appropriate and within the purposes of this 1973 act by the state board of education. Awards shall be granted to the highest ranked students until the total amount of funds allocated for this purpose are disbursed.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. All student financial aid shall be granted by the state board of education without regard to the applicant's race, creed, color, marital status, religion, sex, or ancestry.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. The state board of education shall be authorized to accept grants, gifts, bequests, and devises of real and personal property from any source and to sell or otherwise dispose of the same for the purpose of granting financial aid in addition to that funded by the state.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. A state financial aid recipient under this 1973 act shall apply the award solely toward the cost of supplies, books, tuition, incidental and other fees or such other authorized expenditures as the state board of education shall deem proper, subject to denial of further financial aid for any such recipient not so doing.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. Sections 2 through 7 of this 1973 act shall be added to chapter 223, Laws of 1969 [ex. sess.] and to chapter 28A.58 RCW.
NEW SECTION. Sec. 9. If any provision of this 1973 act, or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act, or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

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CHAPTER 82
[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2033]
STATE BALLOT MEASURE RECOUNT--STATE EXPENSE

AN ACT Relating to the recount of ballot measures; and adding two new sections to chapter 9, Laws of 1965 and to chapter 29.64 RCW.
BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

NEW SECTION. Section 1. There is added to chapter 9, Laws of 1965 and to chapter 29.64 RCW a new section to read as follows:

When the official canvass of returns of any election reveals that the difference in the number of votes cast for the approval of a state-wide measure and the number of votes cast for the rejection of such measure is not more than one-half of one percent of the total number of votes cast on such measure, the secretary of state shall direct that a recount of all votes cast on such measure be made on such measure, in the manner provided by RCW 29.64.030 and 29.64.040, and the cost of such recount shall be at state expense.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. There is added to chapter 9, laws of 1965 and to chapter 29.64 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Each county auditor shall file with the state auditor a statement listing only the additional expenses incurred whenever a mandatory recount of the votes cast on a state measure is made as provided in section 1 of this 1973 amendatory act. The state auditor shall compile such claims for presentation to the next succeeding session, regular or extraordinary, of the legislature in the same manner as other legislative relief claims.

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