NEW SECTION. Sec. 16. The secretary is authorized and directed to hold such hearings as may be requested by any other party state pursuant to subsection (4)(f) of the Interstate Corrections Compact. Additionally, the secretary may hold out-of-state hearings in connection with the case of any inmate of this state confined in an institution of another state party to the Interstate Corrections Compact.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 17. The secretary of corrections is empowered to enter into such contracts on behalf of this state as may be appropriate to implement the participation of this state in the Interstate Corrections Compact pursuant to subsection (3) of the compact. No such contract shall be of any force or effect until approved by the attorney general.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 18. If any agreement between this state and any other state party to the Interstate Corrections Compact enables an inmate of this state confined in an institution of another state to be released in such other state in accordance with subsection (4)(g) of this compact, then the secretary is authorized to provide clothing, transportation, and funds to such inmate in accordance with RCW 72.02.100.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 19. Sections 12 through 18 of this act shall constitute a new chapter in Title 72 RCW.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 20. 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.

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CHAPTER 256
[Senate Bill No. 3531]
HIGHER EDUCATION—TUITION AND FEE REFUNDS—MEDICAL WITHDRAWALS

AN ACT Relating to higher education; and amending section 28B.15.600, chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. as last amended by section 40, chapter 169, Laws of 1977 ex. sess. and RCW 28B.15.600.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Sec. 1. Section 28B.15.600, chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. as last amended by section 40, chapter 169, Laws of 1977 ex. sess. and RCW 28B.15.600 are each amended to read as follows:

The boards of regents of the state's universities and the boards of trustees of the regional universities and The Evergreen State College and community colleges may refund or cancel in full the general tuition ((fees)),

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operating ((fees)), and services and activities fees if the student withdraws from ((the)) a university or college course or program prior to the sixth day of instruction of the quarter or semester for which said fees have been paid or are due. If the student withdraws on or after the sixth day of instruction, said boards of regents and trustees may refund or cancel up to one-half of said fees, provided such withdrawal occurs within the first thirty calendar days following the beginning of instruction. The regents or trustees of the respective universities and colleges may adopt rules for the refund of tuition and fees for courses or programs that begin after the start of the regular quarter or semester. Said boards of regents and trustees may extend the refund or cancellation period for students who withdraw for medical reasons or who are called into the military service of the United States. Said boards of regents and trustees may refund other fees pursuant to such rules as they may prescribe.

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CHAPTER 257

,Senate Bill No. 3535]
BEVERAGE CONTAINERS—DETACHABLE TABS AND RINGS—EXCLUDES MILK-BASED OR SOY-BASED PRESSURE CANNED CONTAINERS

AN ACT Relating to beverage containers; and amending section 2, chapter 113, Laws of 1982 and RCW 70.132.020.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Sec. 1. Section 2, chapter 113, Laws of 1982 and RCW 70.132.020 are each amended to read as follows:

Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter:

(1) "Beverage" means beer or other malt beverage or mineral water, soda water, or other drink in liquid form and intended for human consumption. The term does not include milk-based, soy-based, or similar products requiring heat and pressure in the canning process.

(2) "Beverage container" means a separate and sealed can containing a beverage.

(3) "Department" means the department of ecology created under chapter 43.21A RCW.

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