NEW SECTION. Sec. 9. There is added to chapter 29.36 RCW a new section to read as follows:

A person who wilfully violates any provision of this chapter is guilty of a class C felony.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 10. Section 8, chapter 109, Laws of 1967 ex. sess., section 3, chapter 35, Laws of 1974 ex. sess. and RCW 29.36.140 are each repealed.

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CHAPTER 72
[Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 3155]
HIGH TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION AND TRAINING ACT

AN ACT Relating to high-technology education and training; adding new sections to chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. as a new chapter in Title 28B RCW; adding new sections to chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and to chapter 28B.20 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and to chapter 28B.30 RCW; creating a new section; repealing section 1, chapter 4, Laws of 1974 ex. sess. and RCW 28B.80.130; repealing section 2, chapter 4, Laws of 1974 ex. sess. and RCW 28B.80.140; making appropriations; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. This act may be known and cited as the Washington high-technology education and training act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. The legislature finds that:

(1) A coordinated state policy is needed to stimulate the education and training of individuals in high-technology fields, in order to improve productivity, strengthen the state's competitive position, and reindustrialize declining areas;

(2) The Washington high-technology education and training program will give persons from all backgrounds opportunities to pursue training and education programs leading to baccalaureate and graduate degrees consistent with present and future needs of high-technology industries;

(3) Incentives to stimulate increased collaboration between community colleges, regional universities, and the state universities and private-sector industrial, commercial, and labor interests are essential to the development of a pool of skilled high-technology workers; and

(4) Investment in education is the most feasible method for state assistance to the high-technology industry.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter:

(1) "Board" means the high-technology coordinating board.
"High technology" or "technology" includes but is not limited to the modernization, miniaturization, integration, and computerization of electronic, hydraulic, pneumatic, laser, mechanical, robotics, nuclear, chemical, telecommunication, and other technological applications to enhance productivity in areas including but not limited to manufacturing, communications, medicine, bioengineering, and commerce.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. A Washington state high-technology education and training program is hereby established. The program shall be designed to:

(1) Develop the competence needed to make Washington state a leader in high-technology fields, to increase the productivity of state industries, and to improve the state's competitiveness in regional, national, and international trade;

(2) Develop degree programs to enable students to be productive in new and emerging high-technology fields by using the resources of the state's two-year community colleges, regional universities, the University of Washington, Washington State University, and The Evergreen State College; and

(3) Provide industries in the state with a highly-skilled work force capable of producing, operating, and servicing the advancing technology needed to modernize the state's industries and to revitalize the state's economy.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. (1) The Washington high-technology coordinating board is hereby created.

(2) The board shall be composed of fourteen members as follows:

(a) Eight shall be citizen members appointed by the governor, with the consent of the senate, for four-year terms. In making the appointments the governor shall ensure that a balanced geographic representation of the state is achieved and shall attempt to choose persons experienced in high-technology fields, including at least one representative of labor. Any person appointed to fill a vacancy occurring before a term expires shall be appointed only for the remainder of that term; and

(b) Six of the members shall be as follows: One representative from each of the state's two research universities, one representative of the state college and regional universities, the director for the state system of community colleges or the director's designee, the superintendent of public instruction or the superintendent's designee, and a representative of the council for postsecondary education.

(3) Members of the board shall not receive any salary for their services, but shall be reimbursed for travel expenses under RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060 for each day actually spent in attending to duties as a member of the board.
(4) A citizen member of the board shall not be, during the term of office, a member of the governing board of any public or private educational institution, or an employee of any state or local agency.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. (1) The board shall oversee and coordinate the high-technology education and training program.

(2) The board shall:

(a) Determine the specific high-technology occupational fields in which technical training is needed and advise the institutions of higher education and the council for postsecondary education on their findings;

(b) Identify economic areas with high-technology industries in need of technical training critical to economic renewal or economic development and advise the institutions of higher education and the council for postsecondary education on their findings;

(c) Oversee and coordinate the Washington high-technology education and training program to insure high standards, efficiency, and effectiveness;

(d) Work cooperatively with the superintendent of public instruction to identify the skills prerequisite to the high-technology programs in the institutions of higher education;

(e) Work cooperatively with and provide any information or advice which may be requested by the council for postsecondary education during the council's review of new baccalaureate degree program proposals which are submitted under this chapter. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed as altering or superseding the powers or prerogatives of the council for postsecondary education over the review of new degree programs as established in RCW 28B.80.035;

(f) Prepare and submit a report to the 1984 legislature on whether or not high-technology education and training consortia should be established between the state's community colleges and four-year colleges and universities pursuant to section 9 of this act, including their geographic division and the pattern of cooperation between the community colleges and the four-year colleges and universities and shall investigate the establishment of such consortia within existing resources; and

(g) Prepare and submit to the legislature before the first day of each regular session an annual report on the Washington high-technology education and training program including, but not limited to:

(i) An evaluation of the program;

(ii) A determination of the feasibility of expanding the program; and

(iii) Recommendations, including recommendations for further legislation as the board deems necessary.

(3) The board may adopt rules under chapter 28B.19 RCW as it deems necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

(4) The board shall cease to exist on June 30, 1987, unless extended by law for an additional fixed period of time.
NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. Staff support for the high-technology coordinating board shall be provided by the council for postsecondary education.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. The board may solicit gifts, grants, conveyances, bequests and devises, whether real or personal property, or both, in trust or otherwise, to be directed to institutions of higher education for the use or benefit of the high-technology education and training program. The board shall actively solicit support from business and industry and from the federal government for the high-technology education program.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 9. (1) The high-technology coordinating board shall make recommendations regarding:
   (a) The establishment of regional consortiums for the establishment and development of high-technology education and training;
   (b) The establishment of baccalaureate degree training programs in high-technology fields; and
   (c) The offering of high-technology education and training programs at both community college facilities and at state colleges and regional universities.

   (2) If the program is approved, the first two years of the baccalaureate degree program offered by the respective state colleges and regional universities at community college facilities shall be administered and operated by the respective community colleges. The third and fourth years of the baccalaureate degree program offered at the community college facilities shall be administered and operated by the respective state colleges and regional universities. Each community college participating in the program shall offer two-year associate degrees in high-technology fields which shall be transferrable to and accepted by the state colleges and regional universities.

   (3) The high-technology coordinating board shall oversee and coordinate the operation of the consortiums.

   (4) Any such consortiums shall be implemented upon approval by the high-technology coordinating board: PROVIDED, That if the fiscal impact of any program recommendations exceeds existing resources plus the two hundred fifty thousand dollars appropriated in section 15 of this act, such programs shall require legislative approval.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 10. There is added to chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and to chapter 28B.20 RCW a new section to read as follows:

The board of regents of the University of Washington may offer masters level and doctorate level degrees in technology subject to review and approval by the council for postsecondary education.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. There is added to chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and to chapter 28B.20 RCW a new section to read as follows:

A Washington high-technology center is created at the University of Washington. The Washington high-technology center shall provide: (1) An interdisciplinary program to support major high-technology education and
research initiatives within the state; (2) the resources necessary for research and development programs in high technology; (3) quality training for advanced undergraduate and graduate students in high technology; and (4) interdisciplinary approaches to instruction and research in high-technology fields.

The Washington high-technology center shall be administered by the board of regents with the advice of the high-technology coordinating board. The University of Washington shall make the facilities of the Washington high-technology center available to other institutions of higher education when specific program needs so require.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 12. There is added to chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and to chapter 28B.30 RCW a new section to read as follows:

The board of regents of Washington State University may offer masters level and doctorate level degrees in technology subject to review and approval by the council for postsecondary education.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 13. There is added to chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and to chapter 28B.30 RCW a new section to read as follows:

The board of regents of Washington State University, in cooperation with the board of trustees of Clark Community College, is hereby authorized to establish a Southwest Washington joint center for education to provide graduate and continuing education in high-technology fields to the citizens of the Southwest Washington area. The Southwest Washington joint center for education shall be administered by Washington State University with the advice of the high-technology coordinating board. Washington State University shall make the facilities of the Southwest Washington joint center for education available to other institutions of higher education when specific program needs so require.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 14. There is added to chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and to chapter 28B.30 RCW a new section to read as follows:

The board of regents of Washington State University is hereby authorized to establish a state-wide off-campus telecommunications system to provide for graduate and continuing education in high-technology fields to citizens of the state of Washington. The state-wide telecommunications system shall be administered by Washington State University with the advice of the high-technology coordinating board. Washington State University shall make the facilities of the state-wide telecommunications system available to other institutions of higher education when specific program needs so require.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 15. The following amounts, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are appropriated from the general fund for the biennium ending June 30, 1985:
(1) $1,589,000 is appropriated to the University of Washington for specialized technology educational programs and for planning for a permanent center for technology to be located in the Seattle area pursuant to section 11 of this act. No more than $200,000 of this appropriation shall be expended for planning for a permanent center for technology. It is the intent of the legislature that all program requirements and a plan for ongoing maintenance, operations and provision of equipment using public and private sources be developed prior to consideration of physical space requirements. To this end, a plan detailing such program requirements shall be provided to the council for postsecondary education prior to expenditure of moneys on physical plant planning.

(2) $1,000,000 is appropriated to Washington State University to provide for administrative support and specialized technology education programs at the Southwest Washington Joint Center for education under section 13 of this act.

(3) $1,496,000 is appropriated to Washington State University for the purposes of the state-wide off-campus telecommunications system under section 14 of this act.

(4) $320,000 is appropriated to the University of Washington to provide telecommunications services in conjunction with the state-wide off-campus telecommunications system under section 14 of this act.

(5) $3,500,000 is appropriated to the state board for community college education to establish demonstration programs for training technicians needed by industries most affected by rapid technological change. To this end, the board shall select no more than four projects for demonstration purposes. In its selection of demonstration projects, the state board shall consider cooperation and matching efforts with technology development industries as a primary criteria in making final awards. The proposed projects shall be submitted to the high-technology coordinating board for review and comment.

(6) $2,236,000 is appropriated to the superintendent of public instruction to establish the following programs:
   (a) $1,600,000 for the establishment of regional computer demonstration centers in the educational service districts.
   (b) $236,000 to administer and coordinate these technology programs and coordinate regional computer centers. No more than three full time equivalent staff may be added to provide these services.
   (c) $400,000 to contract with the Pacific science center for the purchase of computer, science, and mathematics education services.

(7) $166,750 is provided to the council for postsecondary education to serve as financial agent for the board and its staff.

(8) $250,000 is appropriated to the high-technology coordinating board to carry out the purposes of this act.
NEW SECTION. Sec. 16. The following acts or parts of acts are each repealed:

(1) Section 1, chapter 4, Laws of 1974 ex. sess. and RCW 28B.80.130; and

(2) Section 2, chapter 4, Laws of 1974 ex. sess. and RCW 28B.80.140.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 17. Sections 2 through 9 of this act are each added to chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. as a new chapter in Title 28B RCW.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 18. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety, the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect July 1, 1983.

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CHAPTER 73
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TREE FRUIT ASSESSMENTS—HORTICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE—INJUNCTIONS AGAINST NURSERY DEALERS


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

Sec. 1. Section 15.28.180, chapter 11, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 1, chapter 8, Laws of 1977 ex. sess. and RCW 15.28.180 are each amended to read as follows:

The same assessment shall be made for each soft tree fruit, except that if a two-thirds majority of the state commodity committee of any fruit recommends in writing the levy of an additional assessment on ((such)) that fruit, or any classification thereof, for any year or years, the commission may levy such assessment for ((such)) that year or years up to the maximum of ((six)) twelve dollars for each two thousand pounds of any fruit except cherries or any classification thereof, as to which the assessment may be increased to a maximum of ((nine))