

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. Each year on or before March 1st, the Washington association of secondary school principals shall submit to the council for postsecondary education the names of graduating senior high school students who have been identified and recommended to be outstanding in academic achievement by their school principals based on criteria to be established under section 4 of this act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. Washington scholars annually shall be selected from among the students so identified. The council for postsecondary education shall notify the students so designated, their high school principals, the legislators of their respective districts, and the governor when final selections have been made.

The council, in conjunction with the governor's office, shall prepare appropriate certificates to be presented to the Washington scholars recipients. An awards ceremony at an appropriate time and place shall be planned by the council in cooperation with the Washington association of secondary school principals, and with the approval of the governor.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. The Washington scholars program shall begin with the school year 1981-82. The council for postsecondary education is directed to report fully on the results and effectiveness of the program to the 1983 legislature and to the governor.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. There is appropriated from the state general fund to the council for postsecondary education for the purpose of administering the Washington state scholars program a sum of eight thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 9. Sections 1 through 7 of this act are added to chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and to chapter 28A.58 RCW.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 10. 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 55

[House Bill No. 464]

### FINANCIAL AID TO NEEDY OR DISADVANTAGED STUDENTS— APPROPRIATION

AN ACT Relating to institutions of higher education; adding a new section to chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and to chapter 28B.10 RCW; and making an appropriation.

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. There is added to chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and to chapter 28B.10 RCW a new section to read as follows:

The state educational grant account is hereby established within the state general fund. The commission shall deposit refunds and recoveries of student financial aid funds expended in prior biennia in such account. Expenditures from such account shall be for financial aid to needy or disadvantaged students.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. There is hereby appropriated from the state educational grant account within the general fund for the 1981-83 biennium twenty thousand dollars, to the council on postsecondary education, for financial aid to needy or disadvantaged students.

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## CHAPTER 56

[Substitute House Bill No. 636]

### MUNICIPAL OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES—PERSONAL AUTOMOBILE USE—REIMBURSEMENT

AN ACT Relating to reimbursement of municipal officers and employees; and amending section 2, chapter 116, Laws of 1965 and RCW 42.24.090.

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

Section 1. Section 2, chapter 116, Laws of 1965 and RCW 42.24.090 are each amended to read as follows:

No claim for reimbursement of any expenditures by officers or employees of any municipal corporation or political subdivision of the state for transportation, lodging, meals or any other purpose shall be allowed by any officer, employee or board charged with auditing accounts unless the same shall be presented in a detailed account: **PROVIDED**, That, unless otherwise authorized by law, the legislative body of any municipal corporation or political subdivision of the state may prescribe by ordinance or resolution the amounts to be paid officers or employees thereof as reimbursement for the use of their personal automobiles or other transportation equipment in connection with officially assigned duties and other travel for approved public purposes, or as reimbursement to such officers or employees in lieu of actual expenses incurred for lodging, meals or other purposes. The rates for such reimbursements may be computed on a mileage, hourly, per diem, monthly, or other basis as the respective legislative bodies shall determine to be proper in each instance: **PROVIDED**, That in lieu of such reimbursements, payments for the use of personal automobiles for official travel may be established if the legislative body determines that these payments would