
HOUSE BILL 1545

State of Washington

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By Representative Caldier

1 AN ACT Relating to prohibiting institutions of higher education
2 from imposing vaccine or immunization mandates on online-only
3 students; adding a new section to chapter 70.54 RCW; and declaring an
4 emergency.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 70.54
7 RCW to read as follows:

8 (1) An institution of higher education may not require a student
9 to receive any vaccination or immunization as a condition of
10 enrollment if the student is only attending classes online and is not
11 regularly visiting the institution's physical campus.

12 (2) Any rule, policy, or procedure adopted by the institution of
13 higher education is null and void to the extent it conflicts with the
14 requirements of this section.

15 (3) For purposes of this section, "institution of higher
16 education" has the same meaning as in RCW 28B.92.030.

17 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate
18 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of

1 the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes
2 effect immediately.

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