
SENATE BILL 5899

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1 AN ACT Relating to compensation systems for educational employees;
2 and creating a new section.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The legislature finds that the current
5 compensation system for educational employees does not recognize
6 variations in the cost of living throughout the state. The legislature
7 intends to recognize cost-of-living differences in the compensation
8 system for educational employees beginning with the 1995-97 biennium.
9 (2) The legislative evaluation and accountability program committee
10 shall develop a model for calculating and updating a compensation
11 system for educational employees based upon regional differences in the
12 cost of living. In the model, the state shall be divided into not more
13 than six different geographic regions based upon differences in the
14 cost of living. In developing the model, the committee may study
15 issues including but not limited to: Verifying and updating cost-of-
16 living factors presently offered by state and federal agencies,
17 examining and verifying regional differences in cost of living,
18 evaluating other compensation models and studies from outside
19 Washington, and providing an analysis and recommendations including

1 cost estimates for implementing a compensation system for educational
2 employees based upon regional differences in the cost of living. The
3 model shall be presented to the legislature by January 15, 1994.

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