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- AN ACT Relating to quality schools; amending RCW 28A.630.075;
- 2 adding new sections to chapter 28A.630 RCW; creating a new section; and
- 3 making appropriations.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the changing
- 6 economy of this state and nation makes it imperative, more so now than
- 7 ever, that our schools use teaching methods and techniques that have
- 8 been proven through research to be effective so that all of our
- 9 children learn the knowledge and skills needed to lead successful lives
- 10 both personally and economically in the twenty-first century. The
- 11 legislature further finds that the outcome-based education model is
- 12 based on educational practices proven to work, and that student
- 13 learning has dramatically increased in schools that have adopted an
- 14 outcome-based educational process. The legislature further finds that

- 1 schools should be strongly encouraged to adopt an educational process
- 2 based on the concepts of outcome-based education, and that the state
- 3 should take steps to provide incentives, technical assistance, and
- 4 encouragement to school districts interested in outcome-based
- 5 education.
- 6 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. The state board of education shall
- 7 establish the quality schools academy. The objective of the academy
- 8 shall be to advance quality school development in this state based upon
- 9 the outcome-based education process. The academy shall:
- 10 (1) Provide technical assistance and consultation to schools that
- 11 are considering, developing, or implementing an outcome-based education
- 12 process;
- 13 (2) Administer the grant program under RCW 28A.630.075;
- 14 (3) Promote quality control in the implementation of outcome-based
- 15 education in the schools of the state;
- 16 (4) Develop a process for evaluating and auditing outcome-based
- 17 education programs;
- 18 (5) Evaluate schools for the twenty-first century projects under
- 19 RCW 28A.630.100 using outcome-based education models; and
- 20 (6) Perform other activities intended to advance quality school
- 21 development through the use of outcome-based education.
- 22 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** The quality schools academy advisory
- 23 board is hereby established. The advisory board shall provide advice
- 24 and recommendations to the state board of education and to the staff of
- 25 the academy with respect to the policies and programs of the academy,
- 26 including, but not limited to, advice and recommendations on the
- 27 awarding of grants in RCW 28A.630.075 and the evaluation of outcome-
- 28 based education programs. Members of the advisory board shall be

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- 1 selected by the state board of education. At a minimum, the advisory
- 2 board shall include persons representing teachers, principals, parents,
- 3 school directors, school administrators, business, and the
- 4 superintendent of public instruction.
- 5 **Sec. 4.** RCW 28A.630.075 and 1990 c 148 s 3 are each amended to
- 6 read as follows:
- 7 The superintendent of public instruction, through the quality
- 8 schools academy under section 2 of this 1991 act, may grant funds to
- 9 school districts for schools to plan and implement outcome-based
- 10 education programs. Such grants shall carry out the purposes of the
- 11 basic education act. Grants shall be of sufficient size and scope,
- 12 shall be granted for a five-year period, shall be subject to
- 13 appropriations, and shall conform to the principles underlying the
- 14 outcomes-driven education process.
- 15 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 5.** Schools and school districts that commit
- 16 to an outcome-based education process in which the primary goal is to
- 17 ensure that all children will learn shall be exempt from all state
- 18 compliance requirements upon approval by the quality schools academy
- 19 advisory board and the state board of education of the school or school
- 20 district's plan to achieve the goal. To remain exempt from the
- 21 compliance requirements, the school or school district shall show that
- 22 at least eighty percent of its students are achieving annual
- 23 improvements in student outcomes within the first five-year cycle and
- 24 maintain at least this achievement rate thereafter. The student
- 25 outcomes expected by the school or school district shall be developed
- 26 by the school or school district in consultation with its community
- 27 according to processes that have proven records of success and within
- 28 the principles of the outcome-based process. Schools and school

- 1 districts shall not be required to participate in the grant program in
- 2 RCW 28A.630.075 to be exempted from the compliance requirements.
- 3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 6.** Sections 2, 3, and 5 of this act are
- 4 each added to chapter 28A.630 RCW.
- 5 NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. The sum of one million six hundred
- 6 twenty thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is
- 7 appropriated for the biennium ending June 30, 1993, from the general
- 8 fund to the state board of education to fund the quality schools
- 9 academy created in section 2 of this act.
- 10 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 8.** The sum of five hundred thousand
- 11 dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for
- 12 the biennium ending June 30, 1993, from the general fund to the state
- 13 board of education to fund grants selected by the quality schools
- 14 academy for purposes of RCW 28A.630.075.