
HOUSE BILL 2212

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1 AN ACT Relating to study of the Holocaust; and adding a new section
2 to chapter 28A.230 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) Every public elementary school and
5 high school shall include in its curriculum a unit of instruction
6 studying the events of the Nazi atrocities of 1933 and 1945. This
7 period in world history is known as the Holocaust, during which six
8 million Jews and millions of non-Jews were exterminated. The studying
9 of this material is a reaffirmation of the commitment of free peoples
10 from all nations to never again permit the occurrence of another
11 Holocaust.

12 (2) The superintendent of public instruction may prepare and make
13 available to all school boards instructional materials which may be
14 used as guidelines for development of a unit of instruction under this
15 section. However, each school board shall itself determine the minimum

- 1 amount of instruction time which qualifies as a unit of instruction
- 2 satisfying the requirements of this section.