## SENATE BILL 5711

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By Senators Rinehart, Gaspard, Murray and Oke.

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to school and educational service districts'
- 2 employee attendance incentive programs; and amending RCW 28A.310.490
- 3 and 28A.400.210.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.310.490 and 1989 c 69 s 1 are each amended to read
- 6 as follows:
- 7 Every educational service district board of directors shall
- 8 establish an attendance incentive program for all certificated and
- 9 noncertificated employees in the following manner.
- 10 (1) In January of the year following any year in which a minimum of
- 11 sixty days of leave for illness or injury is accrued, and each January
- 12 thereafter, any eligible employee may exercise an option to receive
- 13 remuneration for unused leave for illness or injury accumulated in the
- 14 previous year at a rate equal to one day's monetary compensation of the
- 15 employee for each four full days of accrued leave for illness or injury

- 1 in excess of sixty days. Leave for illness or injury for which
- 2 compensation has been received shall be deducted from accrued leave for
- 3 illness or injury at the rate of four days for every one day's monetary
- 4 compensation. No employee may receive compensation under this section
- 5 for any portion of leave for illness or injury accumulated at a rate in
- 6 excess of one day per month.
- 7 (2) At the time of separation from educational service district
- 8 employment due to retirement or death an eligible employee or the
- 9 employee's estate shall receive remuneration at a rate equal to one
- 10 day's current monetary compensation of the employee for each four full
- 11 days accrued leave for illness or injury ((or, in lieu of monetary
- 12 compensation and with equivalent funds, a school district board of
- 13 directors may provide eligible employees postretirement medical
- 14 benefits)).
- 15 (3) In lieu of remuneration for unused leave for illness or injury
- 16 as provided for in subsections (1) and (2) of this section, an
- 17 <u>educational service district board of directors may, with equivalent</u>
- 18 funds, provide eligible employees a benefit plan that provides
- 19 reimbursement for medical expenses.
- 20 Moneys or ((postretirement medical)) benefits received under this
- 21 section shall not be included for the purposes of computing a
- 22 retirement allowance under any public retirement system in this state.
- 23 The superintendent of public instruction in its administration
- 24 hereof, shall promulgate uniform rules and regulations to carry out the
- 25 purposes of this section.
- 26 Should the legislature revoke any benefits granted under this
- 27 section, no affected employee shall be entitled thereafter to receive
- 28 such benefits as a matter of contractual right.

- 1 Sec. 2. RCW 28A.400.210 and 1989 c 69 s 2 are each amended to read 2 as follows:
- 3 Every school district board of directors may, in accordance with
- 4 chapters 41.56 and 41.59 RCW, establish an attendance incentive program
- 5 for all certificated and noncertificated employees in the following
- 6 manner, including covering persons who were employed during the 1982-
- 7 '83 school year: (1) In January of the year following any year in
- 8 which a minimum of sixty days of leave for illness or injury is
- 9 accrued, and each January thereafter, any eligible employee may
- 10 exercise an option to receive remuneration for unused leave for illness
- 11 or injury accumulated in the previous year at a rate equal to one day's
- 12 monetary compensation of the employee for each four full days of
- 13 accrued leave for illness or injury in excess of sixty days. Leave for
- 14 illness or injury for which compensation has been received shall be
- 15 deducted from accrued leave for illness or injury at the rate of four
- 16 days for every one day's monetary compensation. No employee may
- 17 receive compensation under this section for any portion of leave for
- 18 illness or injury accumulated at a rate in excess of one day per month.
- 19 (2) At the time of separation from school district employment due
- 20 to retirement or death an eligible employee or the employee's estate
- 21 shall receive remuneration at a rate equal to one day's current
- 22 monetary compensation of the employee for each four full days accrued
- 23 leave for illness or injury.
- 24 (3) In lieu of remuneration for unused leave for illness or injury
- 25 as provided in subsections (1) and (2) of this section, a school
- 26 district board of directors may, with equivalent funds, provide
- 27 eligible employees ((postretirement medical benefits)) a benefit plan
- 28 that provides reimbursement for medical expenses.

- 1 Moneys or ((postretirement medical)) benefits received under this
- 2 section shall not be included for the purposes of computing a
- 3 retirement allowance under any public retirement system in this state.
- 4 The superintendent of public instruction in its administration
- 5 hereof, shall promulgate uniform rules and regulations to carry out the
- 6 purposes of this section.
- 7 Should the legislature revoke any benefits granted under this
- 8 section, no affected employee shall be entitled thereafter to receive
- 9 such benefits as a matter of contractual right.