

2 **SB 6074** - H COMM AMD **ADOPTED 3-2-94**

3 By Committee on Education

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5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
6 following:

7 "**Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.625.041 and 1992 c 83 s 1 and 1992 c 50 s 1 are
8 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

9 (1) All recipients of the Washington award for excellence in
10 education shall receive a certificate presented by the governor and the
11 superintendent of public instruction, or their designated
12 representatives, at a public ceremony or ceremonies in appropriate
13 locations.

14 (2) In addition to certificates under subsection (1) of this
15 section, awards for teachers, classified employees, and principals or
16 administrators shall include one of the following:

17 (a) Except as provided under RCW 28B.80.255, an academic grant
18 which shall be used to take courses at a state institution of higher
19 education. The academic grant shall provide reimbursement to the
20 recipient for actual costs incurred for tuition and fees for up to
21 forty-five quarter credit hours or thirty semester credit hours at a
22 rate of reimbursement per credit hour not to exceed the resident
23 graduate, part-time cost per credit hour at the University of
24 Washington in the year the recipient takes the credits. In addition,
25 a stipend not to exceed one thousand dollars shall be provided for
26 costs incurred in taking courses covered by the academic grant
27 beginning with 1992 recipients, if funds are appropriated for the
28 stipends in the omnibus appropriations act. This stipend shall be
29 provided as reimbursement for actual costs incurred. The academic
30 grant shall not be considered compensation for the purposes of RCW
31 28A.400.200; or

32 (b) A recognition stipend not to exceed one thousand dollars. The
33 recognition stipend shall not be considered compensation for the
34 purposes of RCW 28A.400.200; or

1 (c) An educational grant not to exceed one thousand dollars. The
2 educational grant shall be awarded under RCW 28A.625.060 and shall not
3 be considered compensation for the purposes of RCW 28A.400.200.

4 (3) In addition to certificates under subsection (1) of this
5 section, the award for the superintendent shall include one of the
6 following:

7 (a) A recognition stipend not to exceed one thousand dollars. The
8 recognition stipend shall not be considered compensation for the
9 purposes of RCW 28A.400.200; or

10 (b) An educational grant not to exceed one thousand dollars. The
11 educational grant shall be awarded under RCW 28A.625.060 and shall not
12 be considered compensation for the purposes of RCW 28A.400.200.

13 (4) In addition to certificates under subsection (1) of this
14 section, the award for the school board shall include an educational
15 grant not to exceed two thousand five hundred dollars. The educational
16 grant shall be awarded under RCW 28A.625.060.

17 (5) Within one year of receiving the Washington award for
18 excellence in education, teachers, classified employees, principals or
19 administrators, and the school district superintendent shall notify the
20 superintendent of public instruction in writing of their decision to
21 apply for an academic grant, a recognition stipend, or an educational
22 grant as provided under subsections (2) and (3) of this section. The
23 superintendent shall notify the higher education coordinating board of
24 those recipients who select the academic grant.

25 (6) This section applies to all individuals named by the office of
26 the superintendent of public instruction as recipients of the
27 Washington award for excellence in education before January 1, 1994.

28 (7) This section shall expire June 30, 1998.

29 **Sec. 2.** RCW 28A.625.060 and 1992 c 50 s 3 are each amended to read
30 as follows:

31 (1) Teachers, classified employees, principals or administrators,
32 and superintendents who have received an award for excellence in
33 education and choose to apply for an educational grant under RCW
34 28A.625.041 shall be awarded the grant by the superintendent of public
35 instruction as long as a written grant application is submitted to the
36 superintendent within one year after the award was received. The grant
37 application shall identify the educational purpose toward which the
38 grant shall be used.

1 (2) This section applies to all individuals named by the office of
2 the superintendent of public instruction as recipients of the
3 Washington award for excellence in education before January 1, 1994.

4 (3) This section shall expire June 30, 1998.

5 **Sec. 3.** RCW 28A.625.065 and 1992 c 83 s 2 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 (1) Courses paid for in full by the academic grant under RCW
8 28A.625.041(2)(a) shall be completed within four years after the
9 academic grant is received.

10 (2) This section applies to all individuals named by the office of
11 the superintendent of public instruction as recipients of the
12 Washington award for excellence in education before January 1, 1994.

13 (3) This section shall expire June 30, 1998.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.625
15 RCW to read as follows:

16 (1) All recipients of the Washington award for excellence in
17 education shall receive a certificate presented by the governor and the
18 superintendent of public instruction, or their designated
19 representatives, at a public ceremony or ceremonies in appropriate
20 locations.

21 (2) In addition to the certificate under subsection (1) of this
22 section, the award for teachers, classified employees, superintendents,
23 and principals or administrators shall include a recognition award in
24 an amount determined in the state operating appropriations act but not
25 less than two thousand five hundred dollars. The recognition award
26 shall not be considered compensation for the purposes of RCW
27 28A.400.200.

28 (3) In addition to the certificate under subsection (1) of this
29 section, the award for the school board shall include a recognition
30 award not to exceed two thousand five hundred dollars. The school
31 board must use its recognition award for an educational purpose.

32 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.80 RCW
33 to read as follows:

34 (1) The higher education coordinating board shall adopt rules
35 establishing procedures for recipients of the Washington award for
36 excellence in education academic grant to convert the remaining value

1 of their grant into a recognition award as provided under section 4 of
2 this act, subject to the availability of funds from the legislature to
3 cover this option. This is an option for individuals named by the
4 office of the superintendent of public instruction as recipients of the
5 Washington award for excellence in education before January 1, 1994,
6 who have elected to receive their award in the form of the academic
7 grant. This option shall be exercised only at the discretion of the
8 academic grant recipients.

9 (2) This section shall expire June 30, 1998.

10 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** Section 4 of this act is necessary for the
11 immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or
12 support of the state government and its existing public institutions,
13 and shall take effect April 1, 1994.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 7.** If any provision of this act or its
15 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the
16 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other
17 persons or circumstances is not affected."

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