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- 2 **ESHB 1209** CONF REPT S3409.5
- 3 By Conference Committee
- 4 ADOPTED 4/24/93
- 5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the 6 following:
- 7 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The legislature finds that student
- 8 achievement in Washington must be improved to keep pace with societal
- 9 changes, changes in the workplace, and an increasingly competitive
- 10 international economy.
- 11 To increase student achievement, the legislature finds that the
- 12 state of Washington needs to develop a public school system that
- 13 focuses more on the educational performance of students, that includes
- 14 high expectations for all students, and that provides more flexibility
- 15 for school boards and educators in how instruction is provided.
- 16 The legislature further finds that improving student achievement
- 17 will require:
- 18 (1) Establishing what is expected of students, with standards set
- 19 at internationally competitive levels;
- 20 (2) Parents to be primary partners in the education of their
- 21 children, and to play a significantly greater role in local school
- 22 decision making;
- 23 (3) Students taking more responsibility for their education;
- 24 (4) Time and resources for educators to collaboratively develop and
- 25 implement strategies for improved student learning;
- 26 (5) Making instructional programs more relevant to students' future
- 27 plans;
- 28 (6) All parties responsible for education to focus more on what is
- 29 best for students; and
- 30 (7) An educational environment that fosters mutually respectful
- 31 interactions in an atmosphere of collaboration and cooperation.
- 32 It is the intent of the legislature to provide students the
- 33 opportunity to achieve at significantly higher levels, and to provide
- 34 alternative or additional instructional opportunities to help students
- 35 who are having difficulty meeting the essential academic learning
- 36 requirements in RCW 28A.630.885.

- It is also the intent of the legislature that students who have met or exceeded the essential academic learning requirements be provided with alternative or additional instructional opportunities to help advance their educational experience.
- The provisions of chapter . . ., Laws of 1993 (this act) shall not be construed to change current state requirements for students who receive home-based instruction under chapter 28A.200 RCW, or for students who attend state-approved private schools under chapter 28A.195 RCW.

10 PART I

11 STUDENT LEARNING GOALS

- 12 **Sec. 101.** RCW 28A.150.210 and 1977 ex.s. c 359 s 2 are each 13 amended to read as follows:
- The goal of the Basic Education Act for the schools of the state of
 Washington set forth in this ((1977 amendatory act)) chapter shall be
 to provide students with the opportunity to ((achieve those skills
 which are generally recognized as requisite to learning. Those skills
 shall include the ability:
- 19 (1) To distinguish, interpret and make use of words, numbers and 20 other symbols, including sound, colors, shapes and textures;
- 21 (2) To organize words and other symbols into acceptable verbal and 22 nonverbal forms of expression, and numbers into their appropriate 23 functions;
- 24 (3) To perform intellectual functions such as problem solving, 25 decision making, goal setting, selecting, planning, predicting, 26 experimenting, ordering and evaluating; and
- (4) To use various muscles necessary for coordinating physical and mental functions)) become responsible citizens, to contribute to their own economic well-being and to that of their families and communities, and to enjoy productive and satisfying lives. To these ends, the goals of each school district, with the involvement of parents and community members, shall be to provide opportunities for all students to develop the knowledge and skills essential to:
- 34 <u>(1) Read with comprehension, write with skill, and communicate</u> 35 <u>effectively and responsibly in a variety of ways and settings;</u>

- 1 (2) Know and apply the core concepts and principles of mathematics;
- 2 social, physical, and life sciences; civics and history; geography;
- 3 arts; and health and fitness;
- 4 (3) Think analytically, logically, and creatively, and to integrate
- 5 experience and knowledge to form reasoned judgments and solve problems;
- 6 and
- 7 (4) Understand the importance of work and how performance, effort,
- 8 and decisions directly affect future career and educational
- 9 <u>opportunities</u>.
- 10 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 102.** Section 101 of this act shall take effect
- 11 September 1, 1994.
- 12 PART II
- 13 COMMISSION ON STUDENT LEARNING
- 14 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 201.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.630
- 15 RCW to read as follows:
- 16 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in
- 17 this section apply throughout RCW 28A.630.885 and 28A.300.130.
- 18 (1) "Commission" means the commission on student learning created
- 19 in RCW 28A.630.885.
- 20 (2) "Student learning goals" mean the goals established in RCW
- 21 28A.150.210.
- 22 (3) "Essential academic learning requirements" means more specific
- 23 academic and technical skills and knowledge, based on the student
- 24 learning goals, as determined under RCW 28A.630.885(3)(a). Essential
- 25 academic learning requirements shall not limit the instructional
- 26 strategies used by schools or school districts or require the use of
- 27 specific curriculum.
- 28 (4) "Performance standards" or "standards" means the criteria used
- 29 to determine if a student has successfully learned the specific
- 30 knowledge or skill being assessed as determined under RCW
- 31 28A.630.885(3)(b). The standards should be set at internationally
- 32 competitive levels.
- 33 (5) "Assessment system" or "student assessment system" means a
- 34 series of assessments used to determine if students have successfully
- 35 learned the essential academic learning requirements. The assessment
- 36 system shall be developed under RCW 28A.630.885(3)(b).

(6) "Performance-based education system" means an education system 1 2 in which a significantly greater emphasis is placed on how well 3 students are learning, and significantly less emphasis is placed on 4 state-level laws and rules that dictate how instruction is to be 5 provided. The performance-based education system does not require that schools use an outcome-based instructional model. Decisions regarding 6 how instruction is provided are to be made, to the greatest extent 7 possible, by schools and school districts, not by the state. 8

9 **Sec. 202.** RCW 28A.630.885 and 1992 c 141 s 202 are each amended to 10 read as follows:

 $((\frac{2}{2}))$ (1) The Washington commission on student learning is hereby 11 12 established. The primary purposes of the commission are to identify ((what)) the knowledge and skills all public school students need to 13 14 know and be able to do based on the student learning goals ((of the governor's council on education reform and funding)) in RCW 15 28A.150.210, to develop student assessment and school accountability 16 systems, and to take other steps necessary to develop a performance-17 18 based education system. The commission shall include three members of 19 the state board of education, three members appointed by the governor before July 1, 1992, and ((three)) five members appointed no later than 20 ((February)) June 1, 1993, by the governor elected in the November 1992 21 The governor shall appoint a chair from the commission 22 23 members, and fill any vacancies in qubernatorial appointments that may occur. The state board of education shall fill any vacancies of state 24 25 board of education appointments that may occur. In making the appointments, educators, business leaders, and parents shall be 26 represented, and nominations from state-wide education, business, and 27 parent organizations shall be requested. Efforts shall be made to 28 29 ensure that the commission reflects the ((cultural)) racial and ethnic 30 diversity of the state's K-12 student population and that the major geographic regions in the state are represented. Appointees shall be 31 qualified individuals who are supportive of educational restructuring, 32 who have a positive record of service, and who will devote sufficient 33 34 time to the responsibilities of the commission to ensure that the objectives of the commission are achieved. 35

(((3) The commission shall begin its substantive work subject to subsection (1) of this section.

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(4))) (2) The commission shall establish ((technical)) advisory committees. Membership of the ((technical)) advisory committees shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, professionals from the office of the superintendent of public instruction and the state board of education, and other state and local educational practitioners and student assessment specialists.

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7 $((\frac{5}{1}))$ <u>(3)</u> The commission, with the assistance of the 8 $(\frac{5}{1})$ advisory committees, shall:

- 9 (a) ((Identify what all elementary and secondary students need to know and be able to do. At a minimum, these)) Develop essential 10 academic learning requirements ((shall include reading, writing, 11 speaking, science, history, geography, mathematics, and critical 12 thinking. In developing these essential academic learning 13 requirements, the commission shall incorporate)) based on the student 14 learning goals ((identified by the council on education reform and 15 funding)) in RCW 28A.150.210. Essential academic learning requirements 16 shall be developed, to the extent possible, for each of the student 17 learning goals in RCW 28A.150.210. Goals one and two shall be 18 considered primary. Essential academic learning requirements for RCW 19 28A.150.210(1), goal one, and the mathematics component of RCW 20 28A.150.210(2), goal two, shall be completed no later than March 1, 21 1995. Essential academic learning requirements that incorporate the 22 remainder of RCW 28A.150.210 (2), (3), and (4), goals two, three, and 23 24 four, shall be completed no later than March 1, 1996. To the maximum extent possible, the commission shall integrate goal four and the 25 26 knowledge and skill areas in the other goals in the development of the essential academic learning requirements; 27
- (b) ((By December 1, 1995,)) (i) The commission shall present to 28 29 the state board of education and superintendent of public instruction 30 a state-wide academic assessment system for use in the elementary 31 ((grades)), middle, and high school years designed to determine if each student has mastered the essential academic learning requirements 32 identified in (a) of this subsection. The academic assessment system 33 34 shall include a variety of ((methodologies)) assessment methods, including performance-based measures that are criterion-referenced. 35 Performance standards for determining if a student has successfully 36 37 completed an assessment shall be initially determined by the commission 38 in consultation with the advisory committees required in subsection (2) 39 of this section.

(ii) The assessment system shall be designed so that the results under the assessment system are used by educators as tools to evaluate instructional practices, and to initiate appropriate educational support for students who ((de)) have not ((master)) mastered the essential academic learning requirements at the appropriate periods in the student's educational development. ((Mastery of each component of the essential academic learning requirements shall be required before students progress in subsequent components of the essential academic learning requirements. The state board of education and superintendent of public instruction shall implement the elementary academic assessment system beginning in the 1996-97 school year, unless the legislature takes action to delay or prevent implementation of the assessment system and essential academic learning requirements.))

(iii) Assessments measuring the essential academic learning requirements developed for RCW 28A.150.210(1), goal one, and the mathematics component of RCW 28A.150.210(2), goal two, shall be initially implemented by the state board of education and superintendent of public instruction no later than the 1996-97 school year, unless the legislature takes action to delay or prevent implementation of the assessment system and essential academic learning requirements. Assessments measuring the essential academic learning requirements developed for RCW 28A.150.210 (2), (3), and (4), goals two, three, and four, shall be initially implemented by the state board of education and superintendent of public instruction no later than the 1997-98 school year, unless the legislature takes action to delay or prevent implementation of the assessment system and essential academic learning requirements. To the maximum extent possible, the commission shall integrate knowledge and skill areas in development of the <u>assessments.</u>

(iv) Before the 2000-2001 school year, participation by school districts in the assessment system shall be optional. School districts that desire to participate before the 2000-2001 school year shall notify the superintendent of public instruction in a manner determined by the superintendent. Beginning in the 2000-2001 school year, all school districts shall be required to participate in the assessment system.

(v) The state board of education and superintendent of public instruction may modify the <u>essential academic learning requirements and</u> academic assessment system, as needed, in subsequent school years.

(vi) The commission shall develop assessments that are directly related to the essential academic learning requirements, and are not biased toward persons with different learning styles, racial or ethnic backgrounds, or on the basis of gender;

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(c) ((By December 1, 1996, present to the state board of education and superintendent of public instruction a state-wide academic assessment system for use in the secondary grades designed to determine if each student has mastered the essential academic learning requirements identified for secondary students in (a) of this subsection. The academic assessment system shall use a variety of methodologies, including performance-based measures, to determine if students have mastered the essential academic learning requirements, and)) After a determination is made by the state board of education that the high school assessment system has been implemented and that it is sufficiently reliable and valid, successful completion of the high school assessment shall lead to a certificate of mastery. certificate of mastery shall be obtained by most students at about the age of sixteen, and is evidence that the student has successfully mastered the essential academic learning requirements during his or her educational career. The certificate of mastery shall be required for graduation but shall not be the only requirement for graduation. ((The assessment system shall be designed so that the results are used by educators to evaluate instructional practices, and to initiate appropriate educational support for students who do not master the essential academic learning requirements.)) The commission shall ((recommend)) make recommendations to the state board of education ((whether the certificate of mastery should take the place of the graduation requirements or be required for graduation in addition to graduation requirements. The state board of education and superintendent of public instruction shall implement the secondary academic assessment system beginning in the 1997-98 school year, unless the legislature takes action to delay or prevent implementation of the assessment system and essential academic learning requirements. The state board of education and superintendent of public instruction may modify the assessment system, as needed, in subsequent school years)) regarding the relationship between the certificate of mastery and high school graduation requirements. Upon achieving the certificate of mastery, schools shall provide students with the opportunity to continue to pursue career and educational objectives through

- educational pathways that emphasize integration of academic and vocational education. Educational pathways may include, but are not limited to, programs such as work-based learning, school-to-work transition, tech prep, vocational-technical education, running start, and preparation for technical college, community college, or university
- 7 (d) Consider methods to address the unique needs of special 8 education students when developing the assessments in (b) and (c) of 9 this subsection;

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- 10 (e) ((Develop strategies that will assist educators in helping 11 students master the essential academic learning requirements;
 - (f) Establish a center the primary role of which is to plan, implement, and evaluate a high quality professional development process. The quality schools center shall: Have an advisory council composed of educators, parents, and community and business leaders; use best practices research regarding instruction, management, curriculum development, and assessment; coordinate its activities with the office of the superintendent of public instruction and the state board of education; employ and contract with individuals who have a commitment to quality reform; prepare a six-year plan to be updated every two years; and be able to accept resources and funding from private and public sources;
 - (g) Develop recommendations for the repeal or amendment of federal, state, and local laws, rules, budgetary language, regulations, and other factors that inhibit schools from adopting strategies designed to help students achieve the essential academic learning requirements;
 - (h))) Consider methods to address the unique needs of highly capable students when developing the assessments in (b) and (c) of this subsection;
- (f) Develop recommendations on the time, support, and resources, including technical assistance, needed by schools and school districts to help students achieve the essential academic learning requirements. These recommendations shall include an estimate for the legislature, superintendent of public instruction, and governor on the expected cost of implementing the ((elementary and secondary)) academic assessment system((s during the 1995-97 biennium and beyond));
 - $((\frac{1}{2}))$ (g) Develop recommendations for consideration by the higher education coordinating board for adopting college and university entrance requirements for public school students that $(\frac{1}{2})$

- schools in adopting strategies designed to help students achieve the essential learning requirements)) are consistent with the essential academic learning requirements and the certificate of mastery;
- 4 $((\frac{1}{2}))$ (h) By December 1, $((\frac{1996}{2}))$ 1998, recommend to the 1 legislature, governor, state board of education, and superintendent of 2 public instruction:
- 7 (i) A state-wide accountability system to monitor and evaluate 8 accurately and fairly the level of learning occurring in individual 9 schools and school districts. ((The commission also shall recommend to the legislature steps that should be taken to assist school districts 10 and schools in which learning is significantly below expected levels of 11 performance as measured by the academic assessment systems established 12 under this section)) The accountability system shall be designed to 13 14 recognize the characteristics of the student population of schools and school districts such as gender, race, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, 15 and other factors. The system shall include school-site, school 16 district, and state-level accountability reports; 17
- (ii) A school assistance program to help schools and school
 districts that are having difficulty helping students meet the
 essential academic learning requirements;
- 21 <u>(iii) A system to intervene in schools and school districts in</u> 22 <u>which significant numbers of students persistently fail to learn the</u> 23 <u>essential academic learning requirements; and</u>

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- (iv) An awards program to provide incentives to school staff to help their students learn the essential academic learning requirements, with each school being assessed individually against its own baseline. Incentives shall be based on the rate of percentage change of students achieving the essential academic learning requirements. School staff shall determine how the awards will be spent.
- It is the intent of the legislature to begin implementation of programs in this subsection (3)(h) on September 1, 2000;
- $((\frac{k}{k}))$ (i) Report annually by December 1st to the legislature, the governor, the superintendent of public instruction, and the state board of education on the progress, findings, and recommendations of the commission; and
- (((1) Complete other tasks, as appropriate)) (j) Make recommendations to the legislature and take other actions necessary or desirable to help students meet the student learning goals.

- 1 (((6))) (4) The commission shall coordinate its activities with the 2 state board of education and the office of the superintendent of public 3 instruction.
 - $((\frac{7}{1}))$ (5) The commission shall seek advice broadly from the public and all interested educational organizations in the conduct of its work, including holding periodic regional public hearings.
- 7 (((8))) (6) The commission shall select an entity to provide staff 8 support and the office of ((financial management)) the superintendent 9 of public instruction shall ((contract with that entity)) provide administrative oversight and be the fiscal agent for the commission. 10 The commission may direct the office of ((financial management)) the 11 superintendent of public instruction to enter into subcontracts, within 12 the commission's resources, with school districts, teachers, higher 13 education faculty, state agencies, business organizations, and other 14 15 individuals and organizations to assist the commission in its
- $((\frac{9}{)}))$ $\underline{(7)}$ Members of the commission shall be reimbursed for travel expenses as provided in RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

19 PART III

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STUDENT LEARNING IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 301. A new section is added to chapter 28A.300 22 RCW to read as follows:
- (1) To the extent funds are appropriated, the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall provide student learning improvement grants for the 1994-95 through 1996-97 school years. The purpose of the grants is to provide funds for additional time and resources for staff development and planning intended to improve student learning for all students, including students with diverse needs, consistent with the student learning goals in RCW 28A.150.210.
- 30 (2) To be eligible for student learning improvement grants, school district boards of directors shall:
- 32 (a) Adopt a policy regarding the sharing of instructional decisions 33 with school staff, parents, and community members;
- 34 (b) Submit school-based applications that have been developed by 35 school building personnel, parents, and community members. Each 36 application shall:

- 1 (i) Enumerate specific activities to be carried out as part of the 2 grant;
- 3 (ii) Identify the technical resources desired and availability of 4 those resources;
 - (iii) Include a proposed budget; and

- 6 (iv) Indicate that the application was approved by the school 7 principal and representatives of teachers, parents, and the community.
- 8 (3) The school board shall conduct at least one public hearing on 9 schools' plans for using the grants before the board approves the 10 plans. Boards may hear and approve more than one school's plan at a 11 hearing. The board shall only submit applications for grants to the 12 superintendent of public instruction if the board has approved the 13 plans.
- (4) If the requirements of subsections (2) and (3) of this section are met, the superintendent of public instruction shall approve the grant application.
- (5) To the extent funds are appropriated, and for allocation 17 purposes only, the amount of grants for the 1994-95 school year shall 18 19 be based on time equivalent to no fewer than three days and not more 20 than five days depending upon the number of grant applications received and on the number of full-time equivalent certificated staff, 21 classified instructional aides, and classified secretaries who work in 22 the school at the time of application. For the 1995-96 and 1996-97 23 24 school years, the equivalent of five days annually shall be provided. 25 The allocation per full-time equivalent staff shall be determined in 26 the biennial operating appropriations act. School districts shall use all funds received under this section solely for grants to schools and 27 shall not use any portion of the funds for indirect costs. 28
- 29 (6) The state schools for the deaf and blind may apply for grants 30 under this section.
- (7) The superintendent of public instruction shall adopt timelines 31 and rules as necessary under chapter 34.05 RCW to administer the 32 The superintendent may modify application requirements for 33 34 schools that have schools for the twenty-first century projects under 35 RCW 28A.630.100. A copy of the proposed rules shall be submitted to the joint select committee on education restructuring established in 36 37 section 1001 of this act at least forty-five days prior to adoption of 38 the rules.

- 1 (8) Funding under this section shall not become a part of the 2 state's basic program of education obligation as set forth under 3 Article IX of the state Constitution.
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 302.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.305 5 RCW to read as follows:
- School districts may use the application process in section 301 of this act to apply for waivers under RCW 28A.305.140.

8 PART IV

9 EDUCATOR TRAINING AND ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

- 10 **Sec. 401.** RCW 28A.415.250 and 1991 c 116 s 19 are each amended to 11 read as follows:
- The superintendent of public instruction shall adopt rules to establish and operate a teacher assistance program. For the purposes of this section, the terms "mentor teachers," "beginning teachers," and "experienced teachers" may include any person possessing any one of the various certificates issued by the superintendent of public instruction under RCW 28A.410.010. The program shall provide for:
- (1) Assistance by mentor teachers who will provide a source of 18 continuing and sustained support to beginning teachers, or experienced 19 20 teachers who are having difficulties, or both, both in and outside the 21 classroom. A mentor teacher may not be involved in evaluations under 22 RCW 28A.405.100 of a teacher who receives assistance from said mentor 23 teacher under the teacher assistance program established under this 24 The mentor teachers shall also periodically inform their 25 principals respecting the contents of training sessions and other 26 program activities;
- (2) Stipends for mentor teachers and beginning <u>and experienced</u>
 teachers which shall not be deemed compensation for the purposes of
 salary lid compliance under RCW ((28A.58.095)) 28A.400.200: PROVIDED,
 That stipends shall not be subject to the continuing contract
 provisions of this title;
- 32 (3) Workshops for the training of mentor and beginning teachers;
- 33 (4) The use of substitutes to give mentor teachers, beginning 34 teachers, and experienced teachers opportunities to jointly observe and 35 evaluate teaching situations and to give mentor teachers opportunities

- 1 to observe and assist beginning and experienced teachers in the 2 classroom;
- 3 (5) Mentor teachers who are superior teachers based on their 4 evaluations, pursuant to RCW 28A.405.010 through 28A.405.240, and who 5 hold valid continuing certificates;
- 6 (6) Mentor teachers shall be selected by the district <u>and may serve</u>
 7 <u>as mentors up to and including full time</u>. If a bargaining unit,
 8 certified pursuant to RCW 41.59.090 exists within the district,
 9 classroom teachers representing the bargaining unit shall participate
 10 in the mentor teacher selection process; and
- 11 (7) Periodic consultation by the superintendent of public 12 instruction or the superintendent's designee with representatives of 13 educational organizations and associations, including educational 14 service districts and public and private institutions of higher 15 education, for the purposes of improving communication and cooperation 16 and program review.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 402. A new section is added to chapter 28A.415
 RCW to read as follows:
- 19 (1) To the extent specific funds are appropriated for the pilot 20 program in this section, the superintendent of public instruction shall 21 establish a pilot program to support the pairing of full-time mentor 22 teachers with experienced teachers who are having difficulties and 23 full-time mentor teachers with beginning teachers under RCW 28A.415.250.

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- (2) The superintendent of public instruction shall submit a report to the legislature by December 31, 1995, with findings about the pilot program. The report shall include an analysis of the effectiveness of the pilot program in the remediation of teachers having difficulties, recommendations regarding continuing the program, and recommendations on new procedures under chapter 28A.405 RCW regarding teachers who have not shown sufficient progress in the area or areas of teaching skills needing improvement.
- 33 (3) The superintendent of public instruction shall appoint an 34 oversight committee, which shall include teachers and administrators 35 from the pilot districts, that shall be involved in the evaluation of 36 the pilot program under this section.

- 1 (4) The superintendent of public instruction shall adopt rules as 2 necessary under chapter 34.05 RCW to implement the pilot program 3 established under subsection (1) of this section.
- 4 **Sec. 403.** RCW 28A.405.140 and 1990 c 33 s 387 are each amended to 5 read as follows:
- After an evaluation conducted pursuant to RCW 28A.405.100, the ((school district)) principal or the evaluator may require the teacher to take in-service training provided by the district in the area of teaching skills needing improvement, and may require the teacher to have a mentor for purposes of achieving such improvement.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 404. A new section is added to chapter 28A.405 12 RCW to read as follows:
- (1) To the extent funds are appropriated, the Washington state principal internship support program is created beginning in the 1994-95 school year. The purpose of the program is to provide funds to school districts to hire substitutes for district employees who are in a principal preparation program to complete an internship with a mentor principal.
- 19 (2) Participants in the principal internship support program shall 20 be selected as follows:
- 21 (a) The candidate shall be enrolled in a state board-approved 22 school principal preparation program;
- (b) The candidate shall apply in writing to his or her local school district;
- (c) Each school district shall determine which applicants meet its 25 criteria for participation in the principal internship support program 26 27 and shall notify its educational service district of the school 28 district's selected applicants. When submitting the names of 29 applicants, the school district shall identify a mentor principal for each principal intern applicant, and shall agree to provide the 30 internship applicant at least forty-five student days of release time 31 32 for the internship; and
- 33 (d) Educational service districts, with the assistance of an 34 advisory board, shall select internship participants.
- 35 (3)(a) The maximum amount of state funding for each internship 36 shall be the estimated state-wide average cost of providing a 37 substitute teacher for forty-five school days.

- (b) Funds appropriated for the principal internship support program 1 shall be allocated by the superintendent of public instruction to the 2 3 educational service districts based on the percentage of full-time 4 equivalent public school students enrolled in school districts in each educational service district. Participants should be selected to 5 reflect the percentage of minorities of the student population in the 6 7 educational service district region, and to the extent practicable, 8 represent an equal number of women and men. If it is not possible to 9 find qualified candidates reflecting the percentage of minorities of the student population of the educational service district, the 10 educational service district shall select those qualified candidates 11 who meet these criteria and leave the remaining positions unfilled, and 12 any unspent funds shall revert to the state general fund. 13
- (c) Once principal internship participants have been selected, the educational service districts shall allocate the funds to the appropriate school districts. The funds shall be used to pay for replacement substitute staff while the school district employee is completing the principal internship.
- 19 (d) Educational service districts may be reimbursed for costs 20 associated with implementing the program. Reimbursement rates shall be 21 determined by the superintendent of public instruction.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 405. A new section is added to chapter 28A.405
 RCW to read as follows:
- 24 (1) To the extent funds are appropriated, the Washington state 25 superintendent and program administrator internship support program is created beginning in the 1994-95 school year. The purpose of the 26 program is to provide funds to school districts to hire substitutes for 27 district employees who are in a superintendent or program administrator 28 29 preparation program to complete an internship with a mentor 30 administrator.
- 31 (2) Participants in the superintendent and program administrator 32 internship support program shall be selected as follows:
- 33 (a) The candidate shall be enrolled in a state board-approved 34 school district superintendent or program administrator preparation 35 program;
- 36 (b) The candidate shall apply in writing to his or her local school 37 district;

(c) Each school district shall determine which applicants meet its criteria for participation in the internship support program and shall notify its educational service district of the school district's selected applicants. When submitting the names of applicants, the school district shall identify a mentor administrator for each intern applicant and shall agree to provide the internship applicant at least forty-five student days of release time for the internship; and

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- 8 (d) Educational service districts, with the assistance of an 9 advisory board, shall select internship participants.
- (3)(a) The maximum amount of state funding for each internship shall be the estimated state-wide average cost of providing a substitute teacher for forty-five school days as calculated by the superintendent of public instruction.
 - (b) Funds appropriated for the internship support program shall be allocated by the superintendent of public instruction to the educational service districts based on the percentage of full-time equivalent public school students enrolled in school districts in each educational service district. To the extent practicable, participants should be selected to reflect the racial and ethnic diversity of the student population in the educational service district region, and represent an equal number of women and men.
- (c) Once internship participants have been selected, the educational service districts shall allocate the funds to the appropriate school districts. The funds shall be used to pay for replacement substitute staff while the school district employee is completing the internship.
- 27 (d) Educational service districts may be reimbursed for costs 28 associated with implementing the program. Reimbursement rates shall be 29 determined by the superintendent of public instruction.
- 30 NEW SECTION. Sec. 406. (1) The state board of education shall appoint an administrator internship advisory task force to develop and 31 32 recommend to the board standards for the principal and superintendent 33 and program administrator internship support programs created in sections 404 and 405 of this act. Interns shall be required to 34 complete the state board standards in order to successfully complete 35 36 the internship program. These standards shall be adopted by the state 37 board of education before the allocation of funds by the superintendent 38 of public instruction pursuant to sections 404(3)(c) and 405(3)(c) of

- 1 this act. Colleges, universities, and school districts may establish
 2 additional standards.
- 3 (2) Task force membership shall include, but not be limited to, 4 representatives of the office of the superintendent of public
- 5 instruction, principals, superintendents, program administrators,
- 6 teachers, school directors, parents, higher education administrative
- 7 preparation programs, and educational service districts. The task
- 8 force membership shall, to the extent possible, be racially and
- 9 ethnically diverse.
- 10 NEW SECTION. Sec. 407. A new section is added to chapter 28A.300
- 11 RCW to read as follows:
- 12 The superintendent of public instruction shall adopt rules as
- 13 necessary under chapter 34.05 RCW to administer the principal and
- 14 superintendent and program administrator internship support programs.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 408. A new section is added to chapter 28A.300
- 16 RCW to read as follows:
- 17 (1) The paraprofessional training program is created. The primary
- 18 purpose of the program is to provide training for classroom assistants
- 19 to assist them in helping students achieve the student learning goals
- 20 under RCW 28A.150.210. Another purpose of the program is to provide
- 21 training to certificated personnel who work with classroom assistants.
- 22 (2) The superintendent of public instruction may allocate funds, to
- 23 the extent funds are appropriated for this program, to educational
- 24 service districts, school districts, and other organizations for
- 25 providing the training in subsection (1) of this section.
- 26 PART V

27 CENTER FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF STUDENT LEARNING

- 28 Sec. 501. RCW 28A.300.130 and 1986 c 180 s 1 are each amended to
- 29 read as follows:
- 30 (1) ((Recent and)) Expanding activity in educational research,
- 31 educational restructuring, and educational improvement initiatives has
- 32 produced and continues to produce much valuable information. The
- 33 legislature finds that such information should be shared with the
- 34 citizens and educational community of the state as widely as possible.
- 35 To facilitate access to information and materials on ((education))

educational improvement and research, the superintendent of public instruction, to the extent funds are appropriated, shall ((act as the state clearinghouse for educational information.

- (2) In carrying out this function, the superintendent of public instruction's primary duty shall be to collect, screen, organize, and disseminate information pertaining to the state's educational system from preschool through grade twelve, including but not limited to instate research and development efforts; descriptions of exemplary, model, and innovative programs; and related information that can be used in developing more effective programs.
- (3) The superintendent of public instruction shall maintain a 11 12 collection of such studies, articles, reports, research findings, monographs, bibliographies, directories, curriculum materials, 13 14 speeches, conference proceedings, legal decisions that are concerned 15 with some aspect of the state's education system, and other applicable materials. All materials and information shall be considered public 16 documents under chapter 42.17 RCW and the superintendent of public 17 instruction shall furnish copies of educational materials at nominal 18 19 cost.
 - (4) The superintendent of public instruction shall coordinate the dissemination of information with the educational service districts and shall publish and distribute, on a monthly basis, a newsletter describing current activities and developments in education in the state)) establish the center for the improvement of student learning. The primary purpose of the center is to provide assistance and advice to parents, school board members, educators, and the public regarding strategies for assisting students in learning the essential academic learning requirements pursuant to RCW 28A.630.885. The center shall work in conjunction with the commission on student learning, educational service districts, and institutions of higher education.
 - (2) The center shall:

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- (a) Serve as a clearinghouse for the completed work and activities 32 of the commission on student learning; 33
- 34 (b) Serve as a clearinghouse for information regarding successful educational restructuring and parental involvement programs in schools 35 and districts, and information about efforts within institutions of 36 higher education in the state to support educational restructuring 37 38

- (c) Provide best practices research and advice that can be used to 1 help schools develop and implement: School improvement plans; school-2 based shared decision-making models; programs to promote lifelong 3 4 learning and community involvement in education; school-to-work transition programs; programs to meet the needs of highly capable 5 students; programs to meet the diverse needs of students based on 6 gender, racial, ethnic, economic, and special needs status; and other 7 programs that will assist educators in helping students learn the 8 9 essential academic learning requirements;
 - (d) Develop and distribute, in conjunction with the commission on student learning, parental involvement materials, including instructional guides developed to inform parents of the essential academic learning requirements. The instructional guides also shall contain actions parents may take to assist their children in meeting the requirements, and should focus on reaching parents who have not previously been involved with their children's education;

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- (e) Identify obstacles to greater parent and community involvement in school shared decision-making processes and recommend strategies for helping parents and community members to participate effectively in school shared decision-making processes, including understanding and respecting the roles of school building administrators and staff;
- 22 <u>(f) Take other actions to increase public awareness of the</u>
 23 importance of parental and community involvement in education;
- (g) Work with appropriate organizations to inform teachers, district and school administrators, and school directors about the waivers available under RCW 28A.305.140 and the broadened school board powers under RCW 28A.320.015;
 - (h) Provide training and consultation services;
- 29 <u>(i) Address methods for improving the success rates of certain</u> 30 ethnic and racial student groups; and
- 31 <u>(j) Perform other functions consistent with the purpose of the</u> 32 center as prescribed in subsection (1) of this section.
- 33 (3) The superintendent of public instruction, after consultation 34 with the commission on student learning, shall select and employ a 35 director for the center.
- 36 (4) The superintendent may enter into contracts with individuals or 37 organizations including but not limited to: School districts; 38 teachers; higher education faculty; institutions of higher education; 39 state agencies; business or community-based organizations; and other

- 1 individuals and organizations to accomplish the duties and
- 2 responsibilities of the center. The superintendent shall contract out
- 3 <u>with community-based organizations to meet the provisions of subsection</u>
- 4 (2)(d) and (e) of this section. In carrying out the duties and
- 5 responsibilities of the center, the superintendent, whenever possible,
- 6 shall use practitioners to assist agency staff as well as assist
- 7 educators and others in schools and districts.
- 8 (5) The superintendent shall report annually to the commission on
- 9 student learning on the activities of the center.
- 10 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 502.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.300
- 11 RCW to read as follows:
- 12 (1) The center for the improvement of student learning account is
- 13 hereby established in the custody of the state treasurer. The
- 14 superintendent of public instruction shall deposit in the account all
- 15 moneys received from gifts, grants, or endowments for the center for
- 16 the improvement of student learning. Moneys in the account may be
- 17 spent only for activities of the center. Disbursements from the
- 18 account shall be on authorization of the superintendent of public
- 19 instruction or the superintendent's designee. The account is subject
- 20 to the allotment procedure provided under chapter 43.88 RCW, but no
- 21 appropriation is required for disbursements.
- 22 (2) The superintendent of public instruction may receive such
- 23 gifts, grants, and endowments from public or private sources as may be
- 24 made from time to time, in trust or otherwise, for the use and benefit
- 25 of the purposes of the center for the improvement of student learning
- 26 and expend the same or any income therefrom according to the terms of
- 27 the gifts, grants, or endowments.

28 PART VI

29 SCHOOL-TO-WORK TRANSITIONS

- 30 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 601.** (1) The legislature finds that preparing
- 31 students to make successful transitions from school to work helps
- 32 promote educational, career, and personal success for all students.
- 33 (2) A successful school experience should prepare students to make
- 34 informed career direction decisions at critical points in their
- 35 educational progress. Schools that demonstrate the relevancy and
- 36 practical application of course work will expose students to a broad

- 1 range of interrelated career and educational opportunities and will 2 expand students' posthigh school options.
- 3 (3) The school-to-work transitions program, under chapter . . ., 4 Laws of 1993 (Engrossed Substitute House Bill No. 1820), is intended to 5 help secondary schools develop model programs for school-to-work 6 transitions. The purposes of the model programs are to provide 7 incentives for selected schools to:
- 8 (a) Integrate vocational and academic instruction into a single 9 curriculum;
- 10 (b) Provide each student with a choice of multiple, flexible 11 educational pathways based on the student's career interest areas;
- 12 (c) Emphasize increased vocational and academic guidance and 13 counseling for students;
- 14 (d) Foster partnerships with local employers and employees to 15 incorporate work sites as part of work-based learning experiences;
- (e) Encourage collaboration among middle or junior high schools and secondary schools in developing successful transition programs and to encourage articulation agreements between secondary schools and community and technical colleges.
- 20 (4) The legislature further finds that successful implementation of 21 the school-to-work transitions program is an important part of 22 achieving the purposes of chapter . . ., Laws of 1993 (this act).
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 602. A new section is added to chapter 28A.630 RCW to read as follows:
- The superintendent of public instruction, in selecting projects for grant awards under the school-to-work transitions program, shall give additional consideration to schools or school districts whose proposals are consistent with the state comprehensive plan for work force training and education prepared by the work force training and education coordinating board.
- 31 **Sec. 603.** RCW 28A.630.878 and 1992 c 137 s 11 are each amended to 32 read as follows:
- The superintendent of public instruction, through the ((state clearinghouse for education information)) center for the improvement of student learning, shall collect and disseminate to all school districts and other interested parties information about the ((academic and

- 1 vocational integration development pilot)) school-to-work transitions
- 2 projects.
- 3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 604.** Section 603 of this act shall expire June
- 4 30, 1999.
- 5 PART VII
- 6 TECHNOLOGY
- 7 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 701.** The legislature recognizes that up-to-date
- 8 tools will help students learn. Workplace technology requirements will
- 9 continue to change and students should be knowledgeable in the use of
- 10 technologies.
- 11 Furthermore, the legislature finds that the Washington systemic
- 12 initiative is a broad-based effort to promote widespread public
- 13 literacy in mathematics, science, and technology. An important
- 14 component of the systemic initiative is the universal electronic access
- 15 to information by students. It is the intent of the legislature that
- 16 components of sections 702 through 706 of this act will support the
- 17 state-wide systemic reform effort in mathematics, science, and
- 18 technology as envisioned by the Washington systemic initiative.
- 19 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 702.** Unless the context clearly requires
- 20 otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this
- 21 chapter and section 705 of this act.
- 22 (1) "Education technology" or "technology" means the effective use
- 23 of electronic and optical tools, including telephones, and electronic
- 24 and optical pathways in helping students learn.
- 25 (2) "Network" means integrated linking of education technology
- 26 systems in schools for transmission of voice, data, video, or imaging,
- 27 or a combination of these.
- 28 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 703.** (1) The superintendent of public
- 29 instruction, to the extent funds are appropriated, shall develop and
- 30 implement a Washington state K-12 education technology plan. The
- 31 technology plan, which shall be completed by December 15, 1993, and
- 32 updated on at least a biennial basis, shall be developed to coordinate
- 33 and expand the use of education technology in the common schools of the

- 1 state. The plan shall be consistent with applicable provisions of 2 chapter 43.105 RCW. The plan, at a minimum, shall address:
- 3 (a) The provision of technical assistance to schools and school 4 districts for the planning, implementation, and training of staff in 5 the use of technology in curricular and administrative functions;
- 6 (b) The continued development of a network to connect school 7 districts, institutions of higher learning, and other sources of on-8 line information; and
- 9 (c) Methods to equitably increase the use of education technology 10 by students and school personnel throughout the state.
- (2) The superintendent of public instruction shall appoint an 11 12 educational technology advisory committee to assist in the development 13 and implementation of the technology plan in subsection (1) of this 14 section. The committee shall include, but is not limited to, persons 15 representing: The state board of education, the commission on student 16 learning, the department of information services, educational service 17 districts, school directors, school administrators, school principals, teachers, classified staff, higher education faculty, parents, 18 19 students, business, labor, scientists and mathematicians, the higher 20 education coordinating board, the work force training and education coordinating board, and the state library. 21
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 704. In conjunction with the plan required in 22 23 section 703 of this act, the superintendent of public instruction shall 24 prepare recommendations to the legislature regarding the development of 25 a grant program for school districts for the purchase and installation of computers, computer software, telephones, and other types of 26 education technology. The recommendations shall address methods to 27 ensure equitable access to technology by students throughout the state, 28 29 and methods to ensure that school districts have prepared technology 30 implementation plans before applying for grant funds. recommendations, with proposed legislation, shall be submitted to the 31 32 appropriate committees of the legislature by December 15, 1993.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 705. A new section is added to chapter 28A.310 RCW to read as follows:
- Educational service districts shall establish, subject to available funding, regional educational technology support centers for the purpose of providing ongoing educator training, school district cost-

- 1 benefit analysis, long-range planning, network planning, distance
- 2 learning access support, and other technical and programmatic support.
- 3 Each educational service district shall establish a representative
- 4 advisory council to advise the educational service district in the
- 5 expenditure of funds provided to the technology support centers.
- 6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 706.** The superintendent of public instruction,
- 7 to the extent funds are appropriated, shall distribute funds to
- 8 educational service districts on a grant basis for the regional
- 9 educational technology support centers established in section 705 of
- 10 this act.
- 11 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 707.** The superintendent of public instruction,
- 12 to the extent funds are appropriated, shall distribute funds to the
- 13 Washington school information processing cooperative and to school
- 14 districts on a grant basis, from moneys appropriated for the purposes
- 15 of this section, for equipment, networking, and software to expand the
- 16 current K-12 education state-wide network.
- 17 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 708.** (1) The superintendent of public
- 18 instruction may receive such gifts, grants, and endowments from public
- 19 or private sources as may be made from time to time, in trust or
- 20 otherwise, for the use and benefit of the purposes of educational
- 21 technology and expend the same or any income therefrom according to the
- 22 terms of the gifts, grants, or endowments.
- 23 (2) The education technology account is hereby established in the
- 24 custody of the state treasurer. The superintendent of public
- 25 instruction shall deposit in the account all moneys received from
- 26 gifts, grants, or endowments for education technology. Moneys in the
- 27 account may be spent only for education technology. Disbursements from
- 28 the account shall be on authorization of the superintendent of public
- 29 instruction or the superintendent's designee. The account is subject
- 30 to the allotment procedure provided under chapter 43.88 RCW, but no
- 31 appropriation is required for disbursements.
- 32 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 709.** The superintendent of public instruction
- 33 shall adopt rules as necessary under chapter 34.05 RCW governing the
- 34 operation and scope of this chapter.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 710. Sections 701 through 704 and 706 through 2 709 of this act shall constitute a new chapter in Title 28A RCW.

3 PART VIII

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EDUCATOR PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT

5 **Sec. 801.** RCW 28A.410.030 and 1991 c 116 s 21 are each amended to 6 read as follows:

7 (1) Effective May 1, 1996, the state board of education shall 8 require ((a uniform state admission to practice examination for)) 9 teacher certification candidates((. Commencing August 31, 1993, teacher certification candidates completing a teacher preparation 10 program shall be required)) applying for initial certification to pass 11 an ((admission to practice examination)) individual assessment before 12 13 being granted an initial certificate. The assessment shall include but not be limited to essay questions. The requirement shall be waived for 14 out-of-state applicants with more than three years of teaching 15 16 experience. The ((examination)) assessment shall test knowledge and 17 competence in subjects including, but not limited to, instructional 18 skills, classroom management, ((and)) student behavior and development((. The examination shall consist primarily of essay 19 questions)), oral and written language skills, student performance-20 based assessment skills, and other knowledge, skills, and attributes 21 22 needed to be successful in assisting all students, including students with diverse and unique needs, in achieving mastery of the essential 23 24 academic learning requirements established pursuant to RCW 28A.630.885. In administering the assessment, the state board shall address the 25 needs of certification candidates who have specific learning 26 27 disabilities or physical conditions that may require special 28 consideration in taking the assessment.

(2) The state board of education shall adopt such rules as may be necessary to implement this section, including, but not limited to, rules establishing the fees assessed persons who apply to take the assessment and the circumstances, if any, under which such fees may be refunded in whole or part. Fees shall be set at a level not higher than the costs for administering the tests. Fees shall not include costs of developing the test. Fee revenues received under this section shall be deposited in the teacher assessment revolving fund hereby established in the custody of the state treasurer. The fund is subject

- 1 to the allotment procedures provided under chapter 43.88 RCW, but no
- 2 appropriation is required for disbursement. The superintendent of
- 3 <u>public instruction shall be responsible for administering the</u>
- 4 assessment program consistent with state board of education rules. The
- 5 superintendent of public instruction shall expend moneys from the
- 6 teacher assessment revolving fund exclusively for the direct and
- 7 indirect costs of establishing, equipping, maintaining, and operating
- 8 the assessment program.
- 9 (3) The state board of education shall only require the assessment
- 10 <u>in subsection (1) of this section when the legislature appropriates</u>
- 11 <u>funds to develop the assessment under this section.</u>
- 12 PART IX
- 13 READINESS TO LEARN
- 14 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 901.** A new section is added to chapter 70.190
- 15 RCW to read as follows:
- 16 (1) The legislature finds that helping children to arrive at school
- 17 ready to learn is an important part of improving student learning.
- 18 (2) To the extent funds are appropriated, the family policy council
- 19 shall award grants to community-based consortiums that submit
- 20 comprehensive plans that include strategies to improve readiness to
- 21 learn.
- 22 PART X
- 23 DEREGULATION, ACCOUNTABILITY, FUNDING, AND LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT
- 24 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1001.** (1) There is hereby created a joint
- 25 select committee on education restructuring composed of twelve members
- 26 as follows:
- 27 (a) Six members of the senate, three from each of the major
- 28 caucuses, to be appointed by the president of the senate; and
- 29 (b) Six members of the house of representatives, three from each of
- 30 the major caucuses, to be appointed by the speaker of the house of
- 31 representatives.
- 32 (2) Staff support shall be provided by senate committee services
- 33 and house of representatives office of program research as mutually
- 34 agreed by the cochairs of the joint select committee. The cochairs

- shall be designated by the speaker of the house of representatives and 1
- 2 the president of the senate.

- 3 (3) The expenses of the committee members shall be paid by the 4 legislature under chapter 44.04 RCW.
- 5 (4) The committee shall seek advice from educators, business and labor leaders, parents, and others during its deliberations. 6
- 7 NEW SECTION. Sec. 1002. The joint select committee on education restructuring shall monitor, review, and annually report to the full 8 9 legislature upon the enactment and implementation of education restructuring in Washington both at the state and local 10 including the following: 11
- (1) The progress of the commission on student learning in the 12 13 completion of its tasks as designated in RCW 28A.630.885 and in any 14 subsequent legislation relating to education restructuring;
- 15 (2) The success of the center for improvement of student learning established under RCW 28A.300.130; 16
- 17 (3) The number of school districts seeking waivers from basic 18 education act requirements under RCW 28A.305.140 or other legislation, 19 and the success of alternative programs pursued by those school districts; 20
- (4) The progress and success of the commission on student learning, 21 the superintendent of public instruction, the state board of education, 22 23 the higher education coordinating board, and the state board for 24 community and technical colleges in carrying out RCW 28A.630.885(3)(g), 25 and any subsequent legislation relating to education restructuring; and (5) Such other areas as the committee may deem appropriate.
- 27 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1003.** (1) In addition to the duties in section 28 1002 of this act, the joint select committee on education restructuring 29 shall review all laws pertaining to K-12 public education and to educator preparation and certification, except those that protect the 30 health, safety, and civil rights of students and staff, with the intent 31 32 of identifying laws that inhibit the achievement of the new system of performance-based education. The select committee shall report to the 33 legislature by November 15, 1994. The laws pertaining to home 34 35 schooling and private schools shall not be reviewed in this study.
- (2) The joint select committee on education restructuring shall 36 37 review current school district data reporting requirements for the

- 1 purposes of accountability and meeting state information needs. The
- 2 joint select committee shall report to the legislature by January 1995
- 3 on:
- 4 (a) What data is necessary to compare how school districts are
- 5 performing before the essential academic learning requirements and the
- 6 assessment system are implemented with how school districts are
- 7 performing after the essential academic learning requirements and the
- 8 assessment system are implemented; and
- 9 (b) What data is necessary pertaining to school district reports
- 10 under the accountability systems developed by the commission on student
- 11 learning under RCW 28A.630.885(3)(h).
- 12 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1004.** By September 1, 1994, and each September
- 13 1st thereafter, the commission on student learning, the superintendent
- 14 of public instruction, the state board of education, the higher
- 15 education coordinating board, and the state board for community and
- 16 technical colleges shall each report to the joint select committee on
- 17 education restructuring regarding their progress in completing tasks as
- 18 designated in chapter . . ., Laws of 1993 (this act), and tasks in any
- 19 subsequent legislation relating to education restructuring.
- 20 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1005.** The joint select committee on education
- 21 restructuring shall submit its final report to the legislature by
- 22 December 31, 2001.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 1006. A new section is added to chapter 28A.320
- 24 RCW to read as follows:
- 25 (1) Beginning with the 1994-95 school year, to provide the local
- 26 community and electorate with access to information on the educational
- 27 programs in the schools in the district, each school shall publish
- 28 annually a school performance report and deliver the report to each
- 29 parent with children enrolled in the school and make the report
- 30 available to the community served by the school. The annual
- 31 performance report shall be in a form that can be easily understood and
- 32 be used by parents, quardians, and other members of the community who
- 33 are not professional educators to make informed educational decisions.
- 34 As data from the assessments in RCW 28A.630.885 becomes available, the
- 35 annual performance report should enable parents, educators, and school
- 36 board members to determine whether students in the district's schools

- are attaining mastery of the student learning goals under RCW 28A.150.210, and other important facts about the schools' performance in assisting students to learn. The annual report shall make 4 comparisons to a school's performance in preceding years and shall project goals in performance categories.
- (2) The annual performance report shall include, but not be limited 6 7 to: A brief statement of the mission of the school and the school 8 district; enrollment statistics including student demographics; 9 expenditures per pupil for the school year; a summary of student scores 10 on all mandated tests; a concise annual budget report; student attendance, graduation, and dropout rates; information regarding the 11 use and condition of the school building or buildings; a brief 12 13 description of the restructuring plan for the school; and an invitation to all parents and citizens to participate in school activities. 14
- 15 (3) The superintendent of public instruction shall develop by June 16 30, 1994, a model report form, which shall also be adapted for 17 computers, that schools may use to meet the requirements of subsections 18 (1) and (2) of this section.
- 19 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1007.** (1) A legislative fiscal study committee is hereby created. The committee shall be comprised of three members 20 from each caucus of the senate, appointed by the president of the 21 22 senate, and three members from each caucus of the house of 23 representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house of 24 representatives. In consultation with the office of the superintendent 25 of public instruction, the committee shall study the common school 26 funding system.
- (2) By January 16, 1995, the committee shall report to the full legislature on its findings and any recommendations for a new funding model for the common school system.
- 30 (3) This section shall expire January 16, 1995.
- 31 **Sec. 1008.** RCW 28A.225.220 and 1990 1st ex.s. c 9 s 201 are each 32 amended to read as follows:
- (1) Any board of directors may make agreements with adults choosing to attend school: PROVIDED, That unless such arrangements are approved by the state superintendent of public instruction, a reasonable tuition charge, fixed by the state superintendent of public instruction, shall be paid by such students as best may be accommodated therein.

- 1 (2) A district is strongly encouraged to honor the request of a 2 parent or guardian for his or her child to attend a school in another 3 district.
- 4 (3) A district shall release a student to a nonresident district 5 that agrees to accept the student if:
- 6 (a) A financial, educational, safety, or health condition affecting 7 the student would likely be reasonably improved as a result of the 8 transfer; or
- 9 (b) Attendance at the school in the nonresident district is more 10 accessible to the parent's place of work or to the location of child 11 care; or
 - (c) There is a special hardship or detrimental condition.

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- 13 (4) A district may deny the request of a resident student to 14 transfer to a nonresident district if the release of the student would 15 adversely affect the district's existing desegregation plan.
 - (5) For the purpose of helping a district assess the quality of its education program, a resident school district may request an optional exit interview or questionnaire with the parents or guardians of a child transferring to another district. No parent or guardian may be forced to attend such an interview or complete the questionnaire.
 - (6) Beginning with the 1993-94 school year, school districts may ((establish annual)) not charge transfer fees or tuition nonresident students enrolled under subsection (3) of this section and RCW 28A.225.225. ((Until rules are adopted under section 202, chapter 9, Laws of 1990 1st ex. sess. for the calculation of the transfer fee, the transfer fee shall be calculated by the same formula as the fees authorized under section 10, chapter 130, Laws of 1969. These fees, if applied, shall be applied uniformly for all such nonresident students except as provided in this section. The superintendent of public instruction, from available funds, shall pay any transfer fees for lowincome students assessed by districts under this section. All transfer fees must be paid over to the county treasurer within thirty days of its collection for the credit of the district in which such students attend.)) Reimbursement of a high school district for cost of educating high school pupils of a nonhigh school district shall not be deemed a transfer fee as affecting the apportionment of current state school funds.

- NEW SECTION. Sec. 1009. Sections 1001 through 1005 of this act are each added to chapter 28A.630 RCW.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 1010. Sections 1001 through 1005 of this act 4 shall expire December 1, 2001.

5 PART XI

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PRIVATE SCHOOL AND HOME SCHOOL STUDENT EXEMPTIONS

7 **Sec. 1101.** RCW 28A.195.010 and 1990 c 33 s 176 are each amended to 8 read as follows:

9 The legislature hereby recognizes that private schools should be 10 subject only to those minimum state controls necessary to insure the 11 health and safety of all the students in the state and to insure a 12 sufficient basic education to meet usual graduation requirements. The 13 state, any agency or official thereof, shall not restrict or dictate 14 any specific educational or other programs for private schools except 15 as hereinafter in this section provided.

16 Principals of private schools or superintendents of private school 17 districts shall file each year with the state superintendent of public instruction a statement certifying that the minimum requirements 18 hereinafter set forth are being met, noting any deviations. After 19 20 review of the statement, the state superintendent will notify schools 21 or school districts of those deviations which must be corrected. 22 case of major deviations, the school or school district may request and 23 the state board of education may grant provisional status for one year 24 in order that the school or school district may take action to meet the requirements. Minimum requirements shall be as follows: 25

- 26 (1) The minimum school year for instructional purposes shall 27 consist of no less than one hundred eighty school days or the 28 equivalent in annual minimum program hour offerings as prescribed in 29 RCW 28A.150.220.
- 30 (2) The school day shall be the same as that required in RCW 28A.150.030 and 28A.150.220, except that the percentages of total program hour offerings as prescribed in RCW 28A.150.220 for basic 33 skills, work skills, and optional subjects and activities shall not apply to private schools or private sectarian schools.
- 35 (3) All classroom teachers shall hold appropriate Washington state 36 certification except as follows:

- 1 (a) Teachers for religious courses or courses for which no 2 counterpart exists in public schools shall not be required to obtain a 3 state certificate to teach those courses.
- 4 (b) In exceptional cases, people of unusual competence but without certification may teach students so long as a certified person exercises general supervision. Annual written statements shall be submitted to the office of the superintendent of public instruction reporting and explaining such circumstances.
- 9 (4) An approved private school may operate an extension program for 10 parents, guardians, or persons having legal custody of a child to teach 11 children in their custody. The extension program shall require at a 12 minimum that:
- 13 (a) The parent, guardian, or custodian be under the supervision of 14 an employee of the approved private school who is certified under 15 chapter 28A.410 RCW;

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- (b) The planning by the certified person and the parent, guardian, or person having legal custody include objectives consistent with this subsection and subsections (1), (2), (5), (6), and (7) of this section;
- (c) The certified person spend a minimum average each month of one contact hour per week with each student under his or her supervision who is enrolled in the approved private school extension program;
- (d) Each student's progress be evaluated by the certified person;
 and
 - (e) The certified employee shall not supervise more than thirty students enrolled in the approved private school's extension program.
- 26 (5) Appropriate measures shall be taken to safeguard all permanent 27 records against loss or damage.
- (6) The physical facilities of the school or district shall be 28 adequate to meet the program offered by the school or district: 29 30 PROVIDED, That each school building shall meet reasonable health and 31 fire safety requirements. However, the state board shall not require private school students to meet the student learning goals, obtain a 32 certificate of mastery to graduate from high school, to master the 33 34 essential academic learning requirements, or to be assessed pursuant to 35 RCW 28A.630.885. However, private schools may choose, on a voluntary basis, to have their students master these essential academic learning 36 37 requirements, take these assessments, and obtain certificates of mastery. A residential dwelling of the parent, quardian, or custodian 38 39 shall be deemed to be an adequate physical facility when a parent,

- 1 guardian, or person having legal custody is instructing his or her 2 child under subsection (4) of this section.
- 3 (7) Private school curriculum shall include instruction of the 4 basic skills of occupational education, science, mathematics, language, 5 social studies, history, health, reading, writing, spelling, and the 6 development of appreciation of art and music, all in sufficient units 7 for meeting state board of education graduation requirements.
- 8 (8) Each school or school district shall be required to maintain 9 up-to-date policy statements related to the administration and 10 operation of the school or school district.
- All decisions of policy, philosophy, selection of books, teaching material, curriculum, except as in subsection (7) above provided, school rules and administration, or other matters not specifically referred to in this section, shall be the responsibility of the administration and administrators of the particular private school involved.
- 17 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1102.** 1992 c 141 s 505 is repealed.
- 18 **Sec. 1103.** RCW 28A.200.010 and 1990 c 33 s 178 are each amended to 19 read as follows:
- Each parent whose child is receiving home-based instruction under RCW 28A.225.010(4) shall have the duty to:
- 22 (1) File annually a signed declaration of intent that he or she is 23 planning to cause his or her child to receive home-based instruction.
- 24 The statement shall include the name and age of the child, shall
- 25 specify whether a certificated person will be supervising the
- 26 instruction, and shall be written in a format prescribed by the
- 27 superintendent of public instruction. Each parent shall file the
- 28 statement by September 15 of the school year or within two weeks of the
- 29 beginning of any public school quarter, trimester, or semester with the
- 30 superintendent of the public school district within which the parent
- 31 resides;
- 32 (2) Ensure that test scores or annual academic progress assessments
- 33 and immunization records, together with any other records that are kept
- 34 relating to the instructional and educational activities provided, are
- 35 forwarded to any other public or private school to which the child
- 36 transfers. At the time of a transfer to a public school, the
- 37 superintendent of the local school district in which the child enrolls

- 1 may require a standardized achievement test to be administered and 2 shall have the authority to determine the appropriate grade and course 3 level placement of the child after consultation with parents and review 4 of the child's records; and
- 5 (3) Ensure that a standardized achievement test approved by the state board of education is administered annually to the child by a 6 7 qualified individual or that an annual assessment of the student's academic progress is written by a certificated person who is currently 8 9 working in the field of education. The state board of education shall not require these children to meet the student learning goals, master 10 the essential academic learning requirements, to take the assessments, 11 or to obtain a certificate of mastery pursuant to RCW 28A.630.885. The 12 13 standardized test administered or the annual academic progress assessment written shall be made a part of the child's permanent 14 15 If, as a result of the annual test or assessment, it is 16 determined that the child is not making reasonable progress consistent 17 with his or her age or stage of development, the parent shall make a good faith effort to remedy any deficiency. 18
- Failure of a parent to comply with the duties in this section shall be deemed a failure of such parent's child to attend school without valid justification under RCW 28A.225.020. Parents who do comply with the duties set forth in this section shall be presumed to be providing home-based instruction as set forth in RCW 28A.225.010(4).

24 PART XII
25 MISCELLANEOUS

- 26 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1201.** RCW 28A.630.884 and 1992 c 141 s 201 are 27 each repealed.
- Sec. 1202. 1992 c 141 s 509 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:
- Sections ((501)) 502 through 504, 506, and 507 of this act shall take effect September 1, ((1998)) 2000. However, these sections shall not take effect if, by September 1, ((1998)) 2000, a law is enacted stating that a school accountability and academic assessment system is
- 34 not in place.
 - 35 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1203.** 1992 c 141 s 501 is repealed.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1204. Part headings as used in this act constitute no part of the law."

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On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "education;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 28A.150.210, 28A.630.885, 28A.415.250, 28A.405.140, 28A.300.130, 28A.630.878, 28A.410.030, 28A.225.220, 28A.195.010, and 28A.200.010; amending 1992 c 141 s 509 (uncodified); adding new sections to chapter 28A.630 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 28A.320 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 28A.415 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 28A.415 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 28A.405 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 28A.300 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 28A.310 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 28A.310 RCW; adding a new section to chapter to Title 28A RCW; creating new sections; repealing RCW 28A.630.884; repealing 1992 c 141 s 505; repealing 1992 c 141 s 501; providing an effective date; and providing expiration dates."

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