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1 AN ACT Relating to voluntary community service; adding a new  
2 section to chapter 28A.230 RCW; and creating new sections.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that students must  
5 learn not only academic and technical skills and knowledge, but also  
6 understand our personal responsibilities as members of our society and  
7 democracy. A similar finding has been made by members of the  
8 governor's council on education reform and funding.

9 One method for teaching responsibility in our children is to  
10 encourage them to volunteer in community social, governmental, and  
11 educational organizations. Increasing the level of student  
12 volunteerism also will strengthen the relationship between schools and  
13 communities, expand instructional effectiveness, strengthen the bonds  
14 between young people and adults, and provide enriching, rewarding  
15 experiences for students.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.230  
17 RCW to read as follows:

1 Common schools serving students in grades seven through twelve are  
2 encouraged to offer annually the opportunity for students to volunteer  
3 their services to community social and educational organizations.  
4 Community social and educational organizations include hospitals,  
5 nursing homes, food banks, day care providers, recyclers, energy  
6 conservation agencies, state and local government offices, and other  
7 organizations that provide social, health, educational, environmental,  
8 and governmental services.

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** By September 1, 1994, the office of the  
10 superintendent of public instruction and the state board of education  
11 shall prepare guidelines and recommendations for use in school programs  
12 involving student volunteer service in the community.

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