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1 AN ACT Relating to disruptive students; amending RCW 28A.600.020
2 and 28A.600.030; and adding a new section to chapter 28A.320 RCW.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.600.020 and 1990 c 33 s 497 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) The rules adopted pursuant to RCW 28A.600.010 shall be
7 interpreted to insure that the optimum learning atmosphere of the
8 classroom is maintained, and that the highest consideration is given to
9 the judgment of qualified certificated educators regarding conditions
10 necessary to maintain the optimum learning atmosphere.

11 (2) Any student who creates a disruption of the educational process
12 in violation of the building disciplinary standards while under a
13 teacher's immediate supervision may be excluded by the teacher from his
14 or her individual classroom and instructional or activity area (~~for~~
15 ~~all or any portion of the balance of the school day or~~) until the
16 principal or designee and teacher have conferred(~~(, whichever occurs~~
17 ~~first: PROVIDED, That except in emergency circumstances, the teacher~~
18 ~~shall have first attempted one or more alternative forms of corrective~~
19 ~~action: PROVIDED FURTHER, That in no event without the consent of the~~

1 ~~teacher shall an excluded student be returned during the balance of~~
2 ~~that class or activity period)) and both parties agree that the student~~
3 ~~should be allowed to reenter the classroom or instructional or activity~~
4 ~~area.~~

5 (3) In order to preserve a beneficial learning environment for all
6 students and to maintain good order and discipline in each classroom,
7 every school district board of directors shall provide that written
8 procedures are developed for administering discipline at each school
9 within the district. Such procedures shall be developed with the
10 participation of parents and the community, and shall provide that the
11 teacher, principal or designee, and other authorities designated by the
12 board of directors, make every reasonable attempt to involve the parent
13 or guardian and the student in the resolution of student discipline
14 problems(~~(. — Such procedures shall provide that students may be~~
15 ~~excluded from their individual classes or activities for periods of~~
16 ~~time in excess of that provided in subsection (2) of this section if~~
17 ~~such students have repeatedly disrupted the learning of other~~
18 ~~students))): PROVIDED, That the procedures are consistent with the
19 ~~((regulations))~~ rules of the state board of education and provide for
20 early involvement of parents in attempts to improve the student's
21 behavior: PROVIDED FURTHER, That pursuant to RCW 28A.400.110, the
22 procedures shall assure that all staff work cooperatively toward
23 consistent enforcement of proper student behavior throughout each
24 school as well as within each classroom.~~

25 **Sec. 2.** RCW 28A.600.030 and 1990 c 33 s 498 are each amended to
26 read as follows:

27 Each school district board of directors may establish student
28 grading policies which permit teachers to consider a student's
29 attendance and classroom conduct in determining the student's overall
30 grade or deciding whether the student should be granted or denied
31 credit. ~~((Such))~~ The attendance policies shall take into consideration
32 the circumstances pertaining to the student's inability to attend
33 school. ~~((However, no policy shall be adopted whereby a grade shall be~~
34 ~~reduced or credit shall be denied for disciplinary reasons only, rather~~
35 ~~than for academic reasons, unless due process of law is provided as set~~
36 ~~forth by the state board of education under RCW 28A.305.160.))~~

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.320
2 RCW to read as follows:

3 School district boards of directors may establish schools and
4 programs in which: Students are required to conform to dress and
5 grooming codes, including requiring that students wear uniforms;
6 parents are required to participate in the student's education; and
7 discipline requirements are more stringent than in other schools in the
8 district. School boards also may require that students who have had
9 discipline problems attend these schools as a condition of continued
10 enrollment in the school district.

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