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1 AN ACT Relating to defacing school property; and amending RCW
2 28A.635.060 and 28A.225.160.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.635.060 and 1993 c 347 s 3 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) Any pupil who shall deface or otherwise injure any school
7 property, shall be liable to suspension and punishment. Any school
8 district whose property has been lost or willfully cut, defaced, or
9 injured, may withhold the grades, diploma, and transcripts of the pupil
10 responsible for the damage or loss until the pupil or the pupil's
11 parent or guardian has paid for the damages(~~(, unless the student is~~
12 ~~transferring to another elementary or secondary educational~~
13 ~~institution, in which case the student's permanent record shall be~~
14 ~~released promptly to the receiving school)~~). When the pupil and parent
15 or guardian are unable to pay for the damages, the school district
16 shall provide a program of voluntary work for the pupil in lieu of the
17 payment of monetary damages. Upon completion of voluntary work the
18 grades, diploma, and transcripts of the pupil shall be released. The

1 parent or guardian of such pupil shall be liable for damages as
2 otherwise provided by law.

3 (2) Before any penalties are assessed under this section, a school
4 district board of directors shall adopt procedures which insure that
5 pupils' rights to due process are protected.

6 (3) If the department of social and health services or a child-
7 placing agency licensed by the department has been granted custody of
8 a child, that child's records, if requested by the department or
9 agency, are not to be withheld for nonpayment of school fees or any
10 other reason.

11 **Sec. 2.** RCW 28A.225.160 and 1986 c 166 s 1 are each amended to
12 read as follows:

13 Except as otherwise provided by law, it is the general policy of
14 the state that the common schools shall be open to the admission of all
15 persons who are five years of age and less than twenty-one years
16 residing in that school district. Except as otherwise provided by law,
17 the state board of education is hereby authorized to adopt rules in
18 accordance with chapter 34.05 RCW which establish uniform entry
19 qualifications, including but not limited to birth date requirements,
20 for admission to kindergarten and first grade programs of the common
21 schools. Such rules may provide for exceptions based upon the ability,
22 or the need, or both, of an individual student. For the purpose of
23 complying with any rule adopted by the state board of education which
24 authorizes a preadmission screening process as a prerequisite to
25 granting exceptions to the uniform entry qualifications, a school
26 district may collect fees not to exceed seventy-five dollars per
27 preadmission student to cover expenses incurred in the administration
28 of such a screening process: PROVIDED, That in so establishing such fee
29 or fees, the district shall adopt regulations for waiving and reducing
30 such fees in the cases of those persons whose families, by reason of
31 their low income, would have difficulty in paying the entire amount of
32 such fees. A school district may delay admission of a transfer student
33 until academic, counseling, conduct, or other relevant records are
34 obtained from a previous school district or districts.

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