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SENATE BILL 5641

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By Senators McAuliffe, Fairley, Prince, Kohl, Fraser, Rasmussen and Prentice

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1 AN ACT Relating to public school students learning a second  
2 language; and adding a new section to chapter 28A.300 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.300  
5 RCW to read as follows:

6 The superintendent of public instruction, in consultation with the  
7 commission on student learning, shall conduct a study on providing  
8 instruction in world languages in the common school system. The study  
9 shall be provided to the education and fiscal committees of the  
10 legislature and to the office of financial management by January 1,  
11 1996. The study shall:

12 (1) Identify possible funding incentives to encourage schools to  
13 provide program offerings in world languages in the common school  
14 system;

15 (2) Develop plans that enable each public common school district to  
16 implement program offerings in world languages, available to students  
17 in grades kindergarten through twelve, by the 1997-98 school year; and

18 (3) Target the languages used by the countries listed as Washington  
19 state's fifteen key target markets for international trade as

1 determined by the department of community, trade, and economic  
2 development.

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