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By Representative Linville

On page 3, beginning on line 13, after (iii)— strike everything through <u>adopted</u>.— on page 5, line 9 and insert the following:

((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 1998-99 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 assessments.

- (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 essential academic learning requirements and academic assessment system, as needed, in subsequent school years.)) The commission shall develop and implement the assessments measuring the essential academic learning requirements developed for RCW 28A.150.210(1), goal one, and RCW 28A.150.210(2), goal two, referred to in this section as reading, writing, communications, mathematics, science, history, civics, geography, arts, and health and fitness, on the following schedule:

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- (A) The reading, writing, communications, and mathematics assessments at the elementary school level shall be available for use by school districts no later than the 1996-97 school year;
- (B) The reading, writing, communications, and mathematics assessments at the middle school level shall be available for use by school districts no later than the 1997-98 school year;
- (C) The reading, writing, communications, and mathematics assessments at the high school level shall be available for use by school districts no later than the 1998-99 school year;
- (D) The science assessment at the middle and high school level shall by available for use by school districts no later than the 1998-99 school year.
- (iv) The commission shall transfer the completed assessments and assessments still in development to the superintendent of public instruction by June 30, 1999. The superintendent of public instruction shall continue developing the assessments on the following schedule:
- (A) The history, civics, geography and arts assessments at the middle and high school levels shall be available for use by school districts no later than the 2000-01 school year;
- (B) The health and fitness assessments at the middle and high school levels shall be available for use by school districts no later than the 2001-02 school year;
- (C) The elementary science assessment shall be available for use by school districts no later than the 2001-02 school year;
- (D) The history, civics, geography, arts, and health and fitness assessments shall be available for use by school districts at the elementary school level no later than the 2004-05 school year.
- To the maximum extent possible, the commission shall integrate knowledge and skills areas in the development of the assessments.
- (v) School districts shall be required to participate in the assessment system on the following schedule:
- 34 (A) Beginning in the 1997-98 school year, school districts 35 shall participate in the elementary assessment system for reading, 36 writing, communication, and mathematics;

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- (B) Beginning in the 2000-01 school year, school districts shall participate in the middle and high school assessment system for reading, writing, communication, mathematics, and science;
- (C) Beginning in the 2004-05 school year, school districts shall participate in the elementary assessment system for science;
- (D) Beginning in the 2003-04 school year, school districts shall participate in the middle and high school assessment system for history, civics, geography, and arts;
- (E) Beginning in the 2004-05 school year, school districts shall participate in the middle and high school assessment system for health and fitness.

By December 15, 1998, the commission on student learning shall recommend to the appropriate committees of the legislature whether the timelines for the assessments under subsection (3)(b)(iv)(D) of this section and subsection (3)(b)(v)(D) and (E) of this section should be revised, and, if the commission recommends revisions to the timelines, when the school districts shall be required to participate.

School districts that desire to participate on an optional basis in any assessment under subsections (A) through (E) of this subsection (3)(b)(v) before the assessment is mandatory shall notify the commission on student learning in a manner determined by the commission.

(vi) The commission on student learning may modify the essential academic learning requirements and the assessments, as needed, before June 30, 1999. The commission shall, upon request, provide opportunities for the education committees of the house of representatives and the senate to review the assessments and proposed modifications to the essential academic learning requirements before the modifications are adopted.—

RENUMBER REMAINING SUBSECTION CONSECUTIVELY AND CORRECT

INTERNAL REFERENCES ACCORDINGLY

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EFFECT: Current language regarding the development and implementation of the assessment timelines is clarified. In addition, beginning in the 2004-05 school year, the commission on student learning must make available to school districts the history, civics, geography, arts, and health and fitness assessments at the elementary school level on an optional basis. Beginning in the 2004-05 school year, school districts must participate in the elementary assessment system for science. By December 15, 1998, the commission on student learning must recommend to the appropriate committees of the legislature whether timelines for the elementary, middle, and high school assessments for history, civics, geography, arts, and health and fitness should be revised, and, if the commission recommends changes to the timelines, when the school districts must participate.

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