

1 **ESSB 6108** - H AMDS TO H APP COMM AMD (H-5320.5/98) **1091**

2 By Representative H. Sommers **FAILED 3/4/98**

3 On page 128, line 13, increase the general fund - state fiscal
4 year 1999 appropriation by \$30,452,000

5 Adjust the totals accordingly

6 On page 129, after line 37, insert:

7 (v) An additional 4.15 certificated instructional staff units
8 per thousand full-time equivalent students in grades 4 and 5. Any
9 district maintaining a ratio equal to or greater than 46 certificated
10 instructional staff per thousand full-time equivalent students in
11 grades 4 or 5 may use allocations generated in this subsection
12 (2)(b)(v) that are in excess of those required under RCW
13 28A.150.260(2)(b) to employ additional basic education certificated
14 instructional staff or classified instructional assistants in grades K-
15 8. For purposes of documenting a district's staff ratio under this
16 subsection (2)(b)(v), the district shall use the methodology in
17 (2)(a)(iii)(B) of this section, using the 1997-98 school year as the
18 base year;-

EFFECT: Increases funding for instructional staff in grades 4 and 5. The current allocation is for one certificated instructional staff per 21.7 students; the additional funding would provide for an instructional staff to student allocation of 1 to 19.94. The additional funds may be spent on additional instructional staffing in grades K-8 as long as the current statutory minimum is maintained in grade 4 and 5.

FISCAL IMPACT: Increases General Fund-State by \$30,452,000.