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- 5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the 6 following:
- 7 "Sec. 1. RCW 28A.205.070 and 1993 c 211 s 6 are each amended to 8 read as follows:
- 9 In allocating funds appropriated for education centers, the 10 superintendent of public instruction shall:
- 11 (1) Place priority upon stability and adequacy of funding for 12 education centers that have demonstrated superior performance as 13 defined in RCW 28A.205.040(2).
- 14 (2) Initiate and maintain a competitive review process to select 15 new or expanded center programs in unserved or underserved areas. The 16 criteria for review of competitive proposals for new or expanded 17 education center services shall include but not be limited to:
- 18 (a) The proposing organization shall have obtained certification 19 from the state board of education as provided in RCW 28A.205.010;
 - (b) The cost-effectiveness of the proposal; and
- 21 (c) The availability of committed nonstate funds to support, 22 enrich, or otherwise enhance the basic program.
- 23 (3) In selecting areas for new or expanded education center 24 programs, the superintendent of public instruction shall consider 25 factors including but not limited to:
- 26 (a) The proportion and total number of dropouts unserved by 27 existing center programs, if any;
- (b) The availability within the geographic area of programs other than education centers which address the basic educational needs of dropouts; and
- 31 (c) Waiting lists or other evidence of demand for expanded 32 education center programs.
- 33 (4) In the event of any curtailment of services resulting from 34 lowered legislative appropriations, the superintendent of public 35 instruction shall issue pro rata reductions to all centers funded at 36 the time of the lowered appropriation. Individual centers may be

- exempted from such pro rata reductions if the superintendent finds that such reductions would impair the center's ability to operate at minimally acceptable levels of service. In the event of such exceptions, the superintendent shall determine an appropriate rate for reduction to permit the center to continue operation.
- (5) In the event that an additional center or centers become 6 7 certified and apply to the superintendent for funds to be allocated 8 from a legislative appropriation which does not increase from the 9 immediately preceding biennium, or does not increase sufficiently to allow such additional center or centers to operate at minimally 10 acceptable levels of service without reducing the funds available to 11 12 previously funded centers, the superintendent shall not provide funding 13 for such additional center or centers from such appropriation, unless directed otherwise in the omnibus appropriations act." 14
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On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "centers;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 28A.205.070."

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