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By Representatives Hickel, Johnson, Cole, O'Brien and Talcott; by request of Superintendent of Public Instruction

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1 AN ACT Relating to educator internship programs; amending RCW
2 28A.415.270 and 28A.415.280; creating a new section; and making an
3 appropriation.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.415.270 and 1996 c 233 s 1 are each amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (1) To the extent funds are appropriated, the Washington state
8 principal internship support program is created beginning in the 1994-
9 95 school year. The purpose of the program is to provide funds to
10 school districts to provide partial release time for district employees
11 who are in a principal preparation program to complete an internship
12 with a mentor principal. Funds may be used in a variety of ways to
13 accommodate flexible implementation in releasing the intern to meet
14 program requirements.

15 (2) Participants in the principal internship support program shall
16 be selected as follows:

17 (a) The candidate shall be enrolled in a state board-approved
18 school principal preparation program;

1 (b) The candidate shall apply in writing to his or her local school
2 district. Candidates, if accepted, must agree to seek employment in
3 Washington state after receiving certification as a principal,
4 participate in education improvement training activities, contribute to
5 education improvement activities in the school in which they are
6 servng as interns, and participate in evaluations of the effectiveness
7 of the program;

8 (c) Each school district shall determine which applicants meet its
9 criteria for participation in the principal internship support program
10 and shall notify ~~((its—educational—service—district))~~ the
11 superintendent of public instruction of the school district's selected
12 applicants. When submitting the names of applicants, the school
13 district shall identify a mentor principal for each principal intern
14 applicant, and shall agree to provide the internship applicant release
15 time not to exceed the equivalent of forty-five student days by means
16 of this funding source; and

17 ~~((Educational service districts))~~ The superintendent of public
18 instruction, with the assistance of an advisory board that includes
19 principals and higher education representatives, shall select
20 internship participants. When selecting participants, the
21 superintendent shall give a priority to candidates who intend to serve
22 as building administrators in schools where finding qualified building
23 administrators has been difficult.

24 (3) The maximum amount of state funding for each internship shall
25 not exceed the actual daily rate cost of providing a substitute teacher
26 for the equivalent of forty-five school days.

27 (4) Funds appropriated for the principal internship support program
28 shall be ~~((allocated))~~ distributed to school districts by the
29 superintendent of public instruction ~~((to the educational service~~
30 ~~districts based on the percentage of full-time equivalent public school~~
31 ~~students enrolled in school districts in each educational service~~
32 ~~district. If it is not possible to find qualified candidates within~~
33 ~~the educational service district, the positions remain unfilled, and~~
34 ~~any unspent funds shall revert to the superintendent of public~~
35 ~~instruction for supplementary direct disbursement.~~

36 ~~The superintendent of public instruction shall allocate any~~
37 ~~remaining unfilled positions and unspent funds among the educational~~
38 ~~service districts that have qualified candidates but not enough~~
39 ~~positions for them.~~

1 ~~This subsection does not preclude the superintendent of public~~
2 ~~instruction from permitting the affected educational service districts~~
3 ~~to make the supplementary selections.~~

4 ~~(5) Once principal internship participants have been selected, the~~
5 ~~educational service districts shall allocate the funds to the~~
6 ~~appropriate school districts)).~~ The funds shall be used to pay for
7 partial release time while the school district employee is completing
8 the principal internship.

9 ~~((6) Educational service districts))~~ (5) The superintendent of
10 public instruction may ((be reimbursed for)) withhold costs associated
11 with implementing the program, which may not exceed seven percent of
12 the funds appropriated for the internship program. ((Reimbursement
13 rates shall be determined by the superintendent of public
14 instruction.))

15 **Sec. 2.** RCW 28A.415.280 and 1996 c 233 s 2 are each amended to
16 read as follows:

17 (1) To the extent funds are appropriated, the Washington state
18 superintendent and program administrator internship support program is
19 created beginning in the 1994-95 school year. The purpose of the
20 program is to provide funds to school districts to provide partial
21 release time for district employees who are in a superintendent or
22 program administrator preparation program to complete an internship
23 with a mentor administrator. Funds may be used in a variety of ways to
24 accommodate flexible implementation in releasing the intern to meet
25 program requirements.

26 (2) Participants in the superintendent and program administrator
27 internship support program shall be selected as follows:

28 (a) The candidate shall be enrolled in a state board-approved
29 school district superintendent or program administrator preparation
30 program;

31 (b) The candidate shall apply in writing to his or her local school
32 district. Candidates, if accepted, must agree to seek employment in
33 Washington state after receiving certification, participate in
34 education improvement training activities, contribute to education
35 improvement activities in the district in which they are serving as
36 interns, and participate in evaluations of the effectiveness of the
37 program;

1 (c) Each school district shall determine which applicants meet its
2 criteria for participation in the internship support program and shall
3 notify ~~((its educational service district))~~ the superintendent of
4 public instruction of the school district's selected applicants. When
5 submitting the names of applicants, the school district shall identify
6 a mentor administrator for each intern applicant and shall agree to
7 provide the internship applicant release time not to exceed the
8 equivalent of forty-five student days by means of this funding source;
9 and

10 (d) ~~((Educational service districts))~~ The superintendent of public
11 instruction, with the assistance of an advisory board that includes
12 superintendents, program administrators, and higher education
13 representatives, shall select internship participants.

14 (3)(a) The maximum amount of state funding for each internship
15 shall not exceed the actual daily rate cost of providing a substitute
16 teacher for the equivalent of forty-five school days.

17 (b) Funds appropriated for the internship support program shall be
18 ~~((allocated))~~ distributed to school districts by the superintendent of
19 public instruction ~~((to the educational service districts based on the~~
20 ~~percentage of full-time equivalent public school students enrolled in~~
21 ~~school districts in each educational service district.~~

22 ~~(c) Once internship participants have been selected, the~~
23 ~~educational service districts shall allocate the funds to the~~
24 ~~appropriate school districts. The funds shall be used to pay for~~
25 ~~partial release time while the school district employee is completing~~
26 ~~the internship.~~

27 ~~(d) If an educational service district has unfilled superintendent~~
28 ~~or program administrator internship positions, the positions and~~
29 ~~unspent funds shall revert to the superintendent of public instruction~~
30 ~~for supplementary direct disbursement among the educational service~~
31 ~~districts.~~

32 ~~The superintendent of public instruction shall allocate any~~
33 ~~remaining unfilled positions and unspent funds among the educational~~
34 ~~service districts that have qualified candidates but not enough~~
35 ~~positions for them.~~

36 ~~This subsection does not preclude the superintendent of public~~
37 ~~instruction from permitting the affected educational service districts~~
38 ~~to make the supplementary selections)).~~

1 (~~(e) Educational service districts~~) (c) The superintendent of
2 public instruction may (~~be reimbursed for~~) withhold costs associated
3 with implementing the program, which may not exceed seven percent of
4 funds appropriated for the internship program. (~~Reimbursement rates~~
5 ~~shall be determined by the superintendent of public instruction.~~)

6 NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. The sum of eight hundred thousand dollars,
7 or as much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for the fiscal
8 year ending June 30, 1999, from the general fund to the superintendent
9 of public instruction for the purposes of this act.

10 NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. If specific funding for the purposes of this
11 act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not provided by
12 June 30, 1998, in the omnibus appropriations act, this act is null and
13 void.

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