
SENATE BILL 5678

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By Senators Benton and Goings

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1 AN ACT Relating to transporting students; amending RCW 28A.160.210;
2 and creating a new section.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.160.210 and 1989 c 178 s 20 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 In addition to other powers and duties, the state board of
7 education shall adopt rules (~~((and regulations))~~) governing the training
8 (~~((and))~~), qualifications ((of school bus drivers)), and eligibility
9 requirements for district employees who transport students in school
10 buses or other motor vehicles. Such rules (~~((and regulations))~~) shall be
11 designed to insure that persons will not be employed to operate school
12 buses or other motor vehicles unless they possess such physical health
13 and driving skills as are necessary to safely operate school buses or
14 other motor vehicles: PROVIDED, That such rules (~~((and regulations))~~)
15 shall insure that (~~((school bus drivers))~~) district employees are
16 provided a due process hearing before any certification required by
17 such rules (~~((and regulations))~~) is cancelled: PROVIDED FURTHER, That
18 such rules (~~((and regulations))~~) shall not conflict with the authority of
19 the department of licensing to license (~~((school bus drivers))~~) district

1 employees in accordance with chapter 46.25 RCW. The state board of
2 education may obtain a copy of the driving record, as maintained by the
3 department of licensing, for consideration when evaluating a ((~~school~~
4 ~~bus driver's~~)) district employee's driving skills, if that employee
5 transports students in school buses or other motor vehicles.

6 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. The purpose of section 1 of this act is to
7 clarify and affirm the existing power of the state board of education
8 to adopt rules governing district employees who transport students.

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