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Brief Title: Enhancing student achievement accountability.

HB 2849 - DIGEST

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 2ND SUB)

Provides that, by December 15, 1998, each school district board of directors shall: (1) Select the reading standard results on either the 1997 or 1998 Washington assessment of student learning as the school district's initial baseline reading standard; and

(2) establish a three-year, district-wide goal to increase the percentage of students who meet or exceed the reading standard on the fourth grade Washington assessment of student learning. The three-year percentage increase goal may not be less than the district's total percentage of students who did not meet the baseline reading standard multiplied by thirty-three percent.

Provides that the second grade reading test selected by the school district must be administered annually in the fall beginning with the 1998-99 school year.

Requires that by August 1, 1998, and by August 1st each year thereafter, the superintendent of public instruction shall: (1) Report to schools, school districts, and the legislature on the results of the fourth grade Washington assessment of student learning; and

(2) post individual school results of the fourth grade Washington assessment of student learning on the superintendent of public instruction's internet world-wide web site. The reports shall include the assessment results by school and school district, and include changes over time.