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- 5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
- 6 following:
- 7 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The legislature finds that the Washington
- 8 assessments of student learning for elementary, middle, and high school
- 9 years are an important tool for students, parents, teachers, schools,
- 10 and the state. The assessments let students and their parents know the
- 11 student's progress in learning the skills and knowledge the state deems
- 12 necessary to become a responsible citizen and successfully live, learn,
- 13 and work in the twenty-first century.
- 14 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 28A.200
- 15 RCW to read as follows:
- 16 Students receiving home-based education under this chapter may
- 17 voluntarily take the Washington assessments of student learning through
- 18 the local public school district at district expense as part of the
- 19 district's ancillary services. The school district shall not regulate
- 20 these students simply because they take the assessments.
- 21 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.195
- 22 RCW to read as follows:
- 23 Individual students attending private schools under this chapter
- 24 may take the Washington assessments of student learning through the
- 25 local public school district at district expense as part of the
- 26 district's ancillary services.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. A new section is added to chapter 28A.655
- 28 RCW to read as follows:
- 29 The educational service districts shall provide alternative
- 30 assessment sites for public, private, and home-based instruction
- 31 students to take the Washington assessment of student learning. The
- 32 superintendent of public instruction shall pay the assessment
- 33 contractor the cost of the test itself, including processing the

- 1 assessment to determine the results, for each student taking the
- 2 assessments.
- 3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 5.** If any provision of this act or its
- 4 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the
- 5 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other
- 6 persons or circumstances is not affected.
- 7 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 6.** If specific funding for the purposes of this
- 8 act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not provided by
- 9 June 30, 2000, in the omnibus appropriations act, this act is null and
- 10 void."
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- On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "learning;" strike the
- 15 remainder of the title and insert "adding a new section to chapter
- 16 28A.200 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 28A.195 RCW; adding a new
- 17 section to chapter 28A.655 RCW; and creating new sections."

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