

2 **SB 6418** - S AMD - 115

3 By Senators Zarelli, Finkbeiner, McAuliffe and Eide

4 ADOPTED 2/12/00

5 On page 1, beginning on line 16, after "(1)" strike all material
6 through "that:" on page 2, line 3, and insert the following:

7 "By September 2010, the state board of education shall determine
8 whether the high school assessment of the Washington assessment of
9 student learning is sufficiently reliable and valid so that successful
10 completion of the assessment shall lead to a certificate of mastery as
11 required under RCW 28A.655.060. The state board of education shall
12 determine that the assessment is reliable and valid only if the board
13 makes positive findings based on the following:"

14 On page 2, after line 21, insert the following:

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16 "(g) The development of the assessment meets accepted test
17 construction procedures;

18 (h) The content of the assessment represents an adequate sampling
19 of the academic subject being assessed;

20 (i) There is a correlation between the scores on the state-wide
21 standardized norm-reference assessment and the Washington assessment on
22 student learning;

23 (j) Scoring procedures are dependable and free from random errors
24 of measurement;

25 (k) The passing standards or cut-scores ensure reasonable student
26 proficiency and are empirically reliable; and

27 (l) There is a standardization of test administration."

28 Renumber the sections consecutively and correct any internal
29 references accordingly.

30 **SB 6418** - S AMD - 109

31 By Senators Finkbeiner, Zarelli, McAuliffe and Eide

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1 On page 2, after line 26, insert the following:

2 "(3) The state board of education shall develop and implement rules
3 that ensure that once the high school assessment leads to a certificate
4 of mastery the achievement of the certificate of mastery shall not be
5 used as the measure of student achievement which enables a high school
6 student to be eligible to enter into a running start program at an
7 institution of higher education."

8 Renumber the sections consecutively and correct any internal
9 references accordingly.

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13 On page 2, after line 26, insert the following:

14 "(3) The state board of education shall ensure that qualified
15 students enrolled in approved private schools under chapter 28A.195
16 RCW, home-based instruction students under chapter 28A.200 RCW, and
17 students who come from out-of-state shall not be discriminated against
18 in any way or denied equal access or opportunities to any benefit or
19 benefits provided by meeting the high school assessment standards and
20 achieving the certificate of mastery, including admission to higher
21 education institutions and job opportunities."

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EFFECT: Changes the criteria that the State Board of Education must use when making findings to determine whether the high school assessment is reliable and valid.

EFFECT: Requires the State Board of Education to ensure that approved private school and home-based instruction students and students who come from out-of-state shall not be denied any benefits provided by meeting the high school assessment standards and achieving the certificate of mastery.