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**SENATE BILL 6462**

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**By** Senators McAuliffe, Kohl-Welles, Eide, Brown, Rasmussen, Bauer, Goings, Patterson, Winsley and Jacobsen; by request of Governor Locke

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1 AN ACT Relating to salary bonuses for teachers attaining  
2 certification by the national board for professional teaching  
3 standards; adding a new section to chapter 28A.405 RCW; and creating a  
4 new section.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds and declares:

7 (1) The national board for professional teaching standards has  
8 established high and rigorous standards for what highly accomplished  
9 teachers should know and be able to do in order to increase student  
10 learning results;

11 (2) The national board certifies teachers who meet these standards  
12 through a rigorous, performance-based assessment process;

13 (3) A certificate awarded by the national board attests that a  
14 teacher has met high and rigorous standards and has demonstrated the  
15 ability to make sound professional judgments about how to best meet  
16 students' learning needs and effectively help students meet challenging  
17 academic standards;

1 (4) Teachers who attain national board certification should be  
2 acknowledged and rewarded in order to encourage more teachers to pursue  
3 certification for the benefit of Washington students.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.405  
5 RCW to read as follows:

6 In addition to the compensation received under the salary schedule  
7 adopted in accordance with RCW 28A.405.200, teachers who have attained  
8 certification by the national board for professional teaching standards  
9 shall receive an annual fifteen percent salary bonus for the duration  
10 of their national board for professional teaching standards  
11 certification.

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