

FINAL BILL REPORT

SHB 1256

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Regarding educational service districts' superintendent review committees.

Sponsors: By House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Cox, Haigh, Fromhold, Schoesler and Hunt).

House Committee on Education
Senate Committee on Education

Background:

The governing boards of educational service districts (ESDs) must nominate and select their superintendents through a process described in law. First, a superintendent review committee must be formed. The committee is composed of three people, two school district superintendents selected by the ESD board and one representative of the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI), selected by OSPI. The two school district superintendents must be selected from within the ESD.

The superintendent review committee is required to screen all candidates for ESD superintendent and nominate to the board a list of three of the candidates. The ESD board must select one of the three candidates or reject all three and request a new list of three candidates. The process is repeated until a candidate is selected.

Summary:

The process governing the selection of ESD superintendents is revised. The superintendent review committee is expanded to include a subcommittee of the ESD board. The review committee will screen candidates against a set of established qualifications and will recommend to the board a list of three or more candidates for the position. The board must either select the superintendent from the list presented by the review committee, ask the review committee to add additional names to the list, or reject the list and ask the committee to submit a new list. The board must repeat the process until a superintendent is selected.

Votes on Final Passage:

House 98 0
Senate 45 0

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