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1 AN ACT Relating to superintendents' employment contracts; and
2 amending RCW 28A.400.010.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.400.010 and 1990 c 33 s 376 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 In all districts the board of directors shall elect a
7 superintendent who shall have such qualification as the local
8 school board alone shall determine. The superintendent shall have
9 supervision over the several departments of the schools thereof
10 and carry out such other powers and duties as prescribed by law.
11 Notwithstanding the provisions of RCW 28A.400.300(1), the board
12 may contract with such superintendent for a term not to exceed
13 three years when deemed in the best interest of the district. The
14 right to renew a contract of employment with any school
15 superintendent shall rest solely with the discretion of the school
16 board employing such school superintendent. If the school board
17 offers a buyout to terminate a contract of employment before the
18 term of the contract has run, the amount of the buyout may not

1 exceed the value of one year of the contract. Regarding such
2 renewal of contracts of school superintendents the provisions of
3 RCW 28A.405.210, 28A.405.240, and 28A.645.010 shall be
4 inapplicable.

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