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SENATE BILL 5385

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By Senators Kastama, Carlson, McAuliffe and Rasmussen

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1            AN ACT Relating to educational service districts' authority to  
2 borrow; and amending RCW 28A.310.200.

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

4            **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.310.200 and 1993 c 298 s 1 are each amended to  
5 read as follows:

6            In addition to other powers and duties as provided by law,  
7 every educational service district board shall:

8            (1) Approve the budgets of the educational service district in  
9 accordance with the procedures provided for in this chapter.

10           (2) Meet regularly according to the schedule adopted at the  
11 organization meeting and in special session upon the call of the  
12 chair or a majority of the board.

13           (3) Approve the selection of educational service district  
14 personnel and clerical staff as provided in RCW 28A.310.230.

15           (4) Fix the amount of and approve the bonds for those  
16 educational service district employees designated by the board as  
17 being in need of bonding.

1 (5) Keep in the educational service district office a full and  
2 correct transcript of the boundaries of each school district  
3 within the educational service district.

4 (6) Acquire by borrowing funds or by purchase, lease, devise,  
5 bequest, and gift and otherwise contract for real and personal  
6 property necessary for the operation of the educational service  
7 district and to the execution of the duties of the board and  
8 superintendent thereof and sell, lease, or otherwise dispose of  
9 that property not necessary for district purposes. No real property  
10 shall be acquired or alienated without the prior approval of the  
11 state board of education and the acquisition or alienation of all  
12 such property shall be subject to such provisions as the board may  
13 establish. When borrowing funds for the purpose of acquiring  
14 property, the educational service district board shall pledge as  
15 collateral the property to be acquired. Borrowing shall be  
16 evidenced by a note or other instrument between the district and  
17 the lender. (~~The authority to borrow under this subsection shall  
18 be limited to educational service districts serving a minimum of  
19 two hundred thousand students in grades kindergarten through  
20 twelve.~~)

21 (7) Under RCW 28A.310.010, upon the written request of the  
22 board of directors of a local school district or districts served  
23 by the educational service district, the educational service  
24 district board of directors may provide cooperative and  
25 informational services not in conflict with other law that provide  
26 for the development and implementation of programs, activities,  
27 services, or practices that support the education of preschool  
28 through twelfth grade students in the public schools or that  
29 support the effective, efficient, or safe management and operation  
30 of the school district or districts served by the educational  
31 service district.

32 (8) Adopt such bylaws and rules and regulations for its own  
33 operation as it deems necessary or appropriate.

34 (9) Enter into contracts, including contracts with common and  
35 educational service districts and the school for the deaf and the  
36 school for the blind for the joint financing of cooperative  
37 service programs conducted pursuant to RCW 28A.310.180(3), and

1 employ consultants and legal counsel relating to any of the  
2 duties, functions, and powers of the educational service  
3 districts.

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