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By Senators Kohl-Welles, Finkbeiner, Johnson, Rasmussen, Regala, Patterson, Oke, McAuliffe, Hewitt and Roach; by request of Governor Locke and Superintendent of Public Instruction

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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. The fifteen percent bonus shall be calculated as
12 follows: Multiply the school district's derived base salary for
13 certificated instructional staff by the national board certified
14 teacher's staff mix factor, and multiply that amount by fifteen
15 percent. The school district's derived base salary shall be determined
16 by using the LEAP document for base salaries cited in the
17 appropriations act. The national board certified teacher's staff mix
18 factor shall be determined by using the LEAP document for staff mix
19 factors cited in the appropriations act.

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