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By Senators McAuliffe, Finkbeiner and Winsley; by request of Governor Locke, Superintendent of Public Instruction, State Board of Education and Professional Educator Standards Board

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1 AN ACT Relating to qualifications for public school principals and
2 vice principals; and amending RCW 28A.400.100.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.400.100 and 1977 ex.s. c 272 s 1 are each amended
5 to read as follows:

6 School districts may employ public school principals and/or vice
7 principals to supervise the operation and management of the school to
8 which they are assigned. Such persons shall hold or have held valid
9 teacher and administrative certificates or shall hold or have held a
10 valid educational staff associate certificate and have demonstrated
11 successful school-based experience in an instructional role with
12 students and a valid administrative certificate. Persons whose
13 certificates were revoked, suspended, or surrendered may not be
14 employed as public school principals or vice principals. In addition
15 to such other duties as shall be prescribed by law and by the job
16 description adopted by the board of directors, each principal shall:

17 (1) Assume administrative authority, responsibility and
18 instructional leadership, under the supervision of the school district
19 superintendent, and in accordance with the policies of the school

1 district board of directors, for the planning, management, supervision
2 and evaluation of the educational program of the attendance area for
3 which he or she is responsible.

4 (2) Submit recommendations to the school district superintendent
5 regarding appointment, assignment, promotion, transfer and dismissal of
6 all personnel assigned to the attendance area for which he or she is
7 responsible.

8 (3) Submit recommendations to the school district superintendent
9 regarding the fiscal needs to maintain and improve the instructional
10 program of the attendance area for which he or she is responsible.

11 (4) Assume administrative authority and responsibility for the
12 supervision, counseling and discipline of pupils in the attendance area
13 for which he or she is responsible.

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