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1 AN ACT Relating to permitting children of certificated and
2 classified school employees to enroll at the school where the employee
3 is assigned; and amending RCW 28A.225.225 and 28A.225.270.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.225.225 and 1999 c 198 s 2 are each amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (1) A district shall accept applications from nonresident students
8 who are the children of full-time certificated and classified school
9 employees, and those children shall be permitted to enroll:

10 (a) At the school to which the employee is assigned; or

11 (b) At a school forming the district's K through 12 continuum which
12 includes the school to which the employee is assigned.

13 (2) A district may reject applications under this section if:

14 (a) The student's disciplinary records indicate a history of
15 convictions for offenses or crimes, violent or disruptive behavior, or
16 gang membership; or

17 (b) The student has been expelled or suspended from a public school
18 for more than ten consecutive days. Any policy allowing for

1 readmission of expelled or suspended students under this subsection
2 (2)(b) must apply uniformly to both resident and nonresident
3 applicants.

4 (3) Except as provided in subsection (1) of this section, all
5 districts accepting applications from nonresident students or from
6 students receiving home-based instruction for admission to the
7 district's schools shall consider equally all applications received.
8 Each school district shall adopt a policy establishing rational, fair,
9 and equitable standards for acceptance and rejection of applications by
10 June 30, 1990. The policy may include rejection of a nonresident
11 student if:

12 (a) Acceptance of a nonresident student would result in the
13 district experiencing a financial hardship;

14 (b) The student's disciplinary records indicate a history of
15 convictions for offenses or crimes, violent or disruptive behavior, or
16 gang membership; or

17 (c) The student has been expelled or suspended from a public school
18 for more than ten consecutive days. Any policy allowing for
19 readmission of expelled or suspended students under this subsection
20 ~~((1))~~ (3)(c) must apply uniformly to both resident and nonresident
21 applicants.

22 For purposes of subsections ~~((1))~~ (2)(a) and (3)(b) of this
23 section, "gang" means a group which: (i) Consists of three or more
24 persons; (ii) has identifiable leadership; and (iii) on an ongoing
25 basis, regularly conspires and acts in concert mainly for criminal
26 purposes.

27 ~~((2))~~ (4) The district shall provide to applicants written
28 notification of the approval or denial of the application in a timely
29 manner. If the application is rejected, the notification shall include
30 the reason or reasons for denial and the right to appeal under RCW
31 28A.225.230(3).

32 **Sec. 2.** RCW 28A.225.270 and 1990 1st ex.s. c 9 s 205 are each
33 amended to read as follows:

34 (1) Each school district in the state shall adopt and implement a
35 policy allowing intradistrict enrollment options no later than June 30,
36 1990. Each district shall establish its own policy establishing

1 standards on how the intradistrict enrollment options will be
2 implemented.

3 (2) A district shall permit the children of full-time certificated
4 and classified school employees to enroll at:

5 (a) The school to which the employee is assigned; or

6 (b) A school forming the district's K through 12 continuum which
7 includes the school to which the employee is assigned.

8 (3) For the purposes of this section, "full-time employees" means
9 employees who are employed for the full number of hours and days for
10 their job description.

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