
SENATE BILL 5547

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By Senators McAuliffe, Eide, Regala, Franklin and Kohl-Welles

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1 AN ACT Relating to membership on the state board of education; and
2 amending RCW 28A.305.010 and 28A.305.080.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.305.010 and 1992 c 56 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) The state board of education shall be comprised of citizen
7 members, and may include business leaders, community leaders, and
8 parents, and shall reflect the racial and ethnic diversity of the
9 state's K-12 student population and ensure that the geographic regions
10 of the state are represented. The board's voting membership shall be
11 as follows: (a) One member from each congressional district of the
12 state, not including any congressional district at large, elected by
13 the members of the boards of directors of school districts thereof, as
14 hereinafter in this chapter provided((~~r~~)); (b) the superintendent of
15 public instruction ((and)); (c) one member elected at large, as
16 provided in this chapter, by the members of the boards of directors of
17 all private schools in the state meeting the requirements of RCW
18 28A.195.010; and (d) three members appointed by the governor and
19 subject to confirmation by the senate. The member representing private

1 schools shall not vote on matters affecting public schools. If there
2 is a dispute about whether or not an issue directly affects public
3 schools, the dispute shall be settled by a majority vote of the other
4 members of the board.

5 (2) The governor's initial appointments shall be made by December
6 31, 2003.

7 (3) Appointed members shall serve for terms of four years, with the
8 terms expiring on December 31st of the fourth year of the term.
9 However, in the case of the initial members, two members shall serve
10 four-year terms and one member shall serve a two-year term, with each
11 of the terms expiring December 31st of the applicable year. Appointees
12 may be reappointed to serve more than one term.

13 **Sec. 2.** RCW 28A.305.080 and 1992 c 56 s 2 are each amended to read
14 as follows:

15 The term of office of each elected member of the state board of
16 education shall begin on the second Monday in January next following
17 the election at which he or she was elected, and he or she shall hold
18 office for the term for which he or she was elected and until his or
19 her successor is elected and qualified. Except as otherwise provided
20 in RCW 28A.305.030, each elected member of the state board of education
21 shall (~~be elected~~) serve for a term of four years.

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