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SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1252

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By House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Quall, Curtis, Anderson, Talcott, Eickmeyer, Kirby, Haigh, DeBolt, Dunshee, McDonald, Morrell, Buri, Miloscia, Rodne, Lovick, O'Brien, Shabro, P. Sullivan, Wood, Sells, Chase, Ormsby and Kilmer)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to family and consumer science education; adding a
- 2 new section to chapter 28A.230 RCW; adding a new section to chapter
- 3 28A.300 RCW; and creating a new section.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that effective
- 6 relationship skills are used in parenting, the workplace, schools,
- 7 neighborhoods, and other relationships. The state has a compelling
- 8 interest in encouraging its citizens in developing the parenting and
- 9 communication skills vital for successful and fulfilling family
- 10 relationships.
- 11 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.230
- 12 RCW to read as follows:
- 13 Each school district board of directors is encouraged to adopt a
- 14 family preservation education program curriculum and offer a family
- 15 preservation unit in high school, however, to the extent amounts are
- 16 appropriated for this specific purpose, the school district shall adopt
- 17 a family preservation education program curriculum and offer a family
- 18 preservation unit in high school. If the board of directors chooses

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- 1 not to adopt the model curriculum developed by the superintendent of
- 2 public instruction, the board may develop its own curriculum with input
- 3 from the community.

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4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.300 5 RCW to read as follows:

The office of the superintendent of public instruction shall develop a family preservation education program model curriculum that is available to each of the school district boards of directors. The model curriculum shall be posted on the superintendent of public instruction's web site. The model curriculum shall include, but is not limited to, instruction on developing conflict management skills, communication skills, financial responsibility, and parenting responsibility.

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