

**HB 2045-S - DIGEST**

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides a salary bonus for teachers who maintain certification from the national board for professional teaching standards.

Declares that the annual bonus shall be three thousand five hundred dollars.

Authorizes an additional annual bonus of ten thousand dollars for each year in which the certificated staff is employed full time teaching either reading, writing, mathematics, or science in the classroom of a Title I school in which students in one or more of the subgroups identified under the federal no child left behind act of 2001 failed in the previous school year to make adequate yearly progress toward the proficient level on the Washington assessment of student learning.

Provides that, by August 1, 2008, the Washington professional educator standards board shall review the national board certification standards to determine whether the standards are sufficiently rigorous and aligned to student achievement. The board shall also determine whether additional requirements are needed to ensure that the national standards meet the needs of Washington's students.

Provides that, by December 15, 2010, the Washington professional educator standards board shall report to the appropriate house of representatives and senate committees on the results and accomplishments of the salary bonuses. The report may include recommendations for the continuation, modification, or elimination of the bonuses.