
SENATE BILL 6380

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1 AN ACT Relating to enhancing school library programs; adding a new
2 section to chapter 28A.150 RCW; and providing an effective date.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.150
5 RCW to read as follows:

6 (1) Beginning with the 2008-09 school year and each year
7 thereafter, a new formula allocation shall be provided to school
8 districts for enhancing library programs and services in K-12 public
9 schools. The funding provided by this formula shall be used to
10 augment current funding for librarian programs provided through basic
11 education and other existing funding mechanisms. In order to receive
12 allocations under this section, school districts must agree that to the
13 maximum extent possible they will ensure that library programs and
14 services are equitably provided throughout the district.

15 (2)(a) School district allocations for enhancing school library
16 programs shall be calculated based on annual average full-time
17 equivalent students and determined as follows:

18 (i) For school districts with fewer than one hundred full-time

1 equivalent students, funding for a half-time certificated instructional
2 staff librarian position;

3 (ii) For school districts with between one hundred and four hundred
4 ninety-nine full-time equivalent students, funding for one full-time
5 certificated instructional staff librarian position;

6 (iii) For school districts with between five hundred and nine
7 hundred ninety-nine full-time equivalent students, funding for two
8 full-time certificated instructional staff librarian positions;

9 (iv) For school districts with between one thousand and one
10 thousand nine hundred ninety-nine full-time equivalent students,
11 funding for three full-time certificated instructional staff librarian
12 positions;

13 (v) For school districts with two thousand or more full-time
14 equivalent students, funding for one certificated instructional staff
15 librarian position for every seven hundred full-time equivalent
16 students.

17 (b) In consultation with the office of financial management, the
18 office of the superintendent of public instruction shall develop and
19 implement an adjustment factor to reduce the allocations in (a)(i)
20 through (v) of this subsection based on the proportional amount of
21 staff and other funding already being received by school districts for
22 library programs through the basic education formula allocation for
23 certificated instructional staff. This adjustment factor shall reflect
24 a minimum assumption of 2.1 percent of the general apportionment
25 allocation for certificated instructional staff in the omnibus
26 appropriations act.

27 (c) Every school district shall receive an annual allocation of
28 twelve dollars per full-time equivalent student to maintain and improve
29 library materials, collections, and services.

30 (3) In consultation with the office of financial management, if
31 necessary, the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall
32 reduce the amounts allocated to school districts to stay within the
33 amounts appropriated by the legislature for enhancing library programs
34 and services in the omnibus appropriations act.

35 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act takes effect September 1, 2008.

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