

SB 5450-S.E - DIGEST

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 3/2/2007)

Provides that, beginning July 1, 2007, each school district that operates a high school shall establish a policy and procedures that permit any student who is receiving special education or related services under an individualized education program pursuant to state and federal law and who will continue to receive such services between the ages of eighteen and twenty-one, to participate in the graduation ceremony and activities after four years of high school attendance with his or her age-appropriate peers and receive a certificate of attendance.

Declares that participation in a graduation ceremony and receipt of a certificate of attendance under this act does not preclude a student from continuing to receive special education and related services under an individualized education program beyond the graduation ceremony.

Declares that a student's participation in a graduation ceremony and receipt of a certificate of attendance under this act shall not be construed as the student's receipt of either:

- (1) A high school diploma pursuant to RCW 28A.230.120; or
- (2) A certificate of individual achievement pursuant to RCW 28A.155.045.