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By Representative McCune

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1 AN ACT Relating to modifying the goals of a basic education; and
2 amending RCW 28A.150.210.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.150.210 and 2011 c 280 s 2 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 A basic education is ~~((an evolving))~~ a program of instruction that
7 is intended to provide students with the opportunity to ~~((become
8 responsible and respectful global citizens, to))~~ gain knowledge and
9 skills to become globally competitive citizens. A basic education
10 should contribute to their economic well-being and that of their
11 families and communities, ~~((to explore and understand different
12 perspectives,))~~ and to enhance their opportunity to enjoy productive
13 and satisfying lives. Additionally, the state of Washington intends to
14 provide for a public school system that ~~((is able to evolve and adapt
15 in order to better focus on strengthening))~~ will strengthen the
16 educational achievement of all students, which includes high
17 expectations for all students and gives all students the opportunity to
18 achieve personal and academic success. To these ends, the goals of

1 each school district, with the involvement of parents and community
2 members, shall be to provide opportunities for every student to develop
3 the knowledge and skills essential to:

4 (1) Read with comprehension, write effectively, and communicate
5 successfully in a variety of ways and settings and with a variety of
6 audiences;

7 (2) Know and apply the core concepts and principles of mathematics;
8 social, physical, and life sciences; civics and history, (~~including~~
9 ~~different cultures and participation in representative~~) emphasizing
10 the foundations of our constitutional republic form of government in
11 this sovereign state and country; geography; arts; (~~and~~) health and
12 fitness; and a focus on academic accuracy and a sound understanding of
13 mathematical and scientific facts;

14 (3) Think analytically, independently, logically, and creatively,
15 and to integrate technology literacy and fluency as well as different
16 experiences and knowledge to form reasoned judgments and solve
17 problems; and

18 (4) Understand the importance of work and finance and how
19 performance, effort, and decisions directly affect future career and
20 educational opportunities.

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