

2SSB 5197 - H COMM AMD
By Committee on Education

NOT CONSIDERED 04/15/2013

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.320
4 RCW to read as follows:

5 School districts must work collaboratively with local law
6 enforcement agencies and school security personnel to develop an
7 emergency response system using evolving technology to expedite the
8 response and arrival of law enforcement in the event of a threat or
9 emergency at a school. School districts are encouraged to use the
10 model policies developed by the school safety advisory committee of the
11 office of the superintendent of public instruction as a resource. Each
12 school district must submit a progress report on its implementation of
13 an emergency response system as required under this section to the
14 office of the superintendent of public instruction by December 1, 2014.

15 **Sec. 2.** RCW 28A.335.010 and 1969 ex.s. c 223 s 28A.58.102 are each
16 amended to read as follows:

17 Every board of directors, unless otherwise specifically provided by
18 law, shall:

19 (1) Cause all school buildings to be properly heated, lighted, and
20 ventilated and maintained in a clean and sanitary condition; (~~and~~)

21 (2) Maintain and repair, furnish, and insure such school buildings;

22 (3) Consider installing a perimeter security control mechanism or
23 system on all school campuses, as appropriate to the design of the
24 campus; and

25 (4) For new school construction projects or remodeling projects of
26 more than forty percent of an existing school building that are
27 initiated after the effective date of this section, consider school
28 building plans and designs that promote:

1 (a) An optimal level of security for the specific school site that
2 incorporates evolving technology and best practices to protect students
3 and staff in the event of a threat during school hours;

4 (b) Direct control and observation of the public entering school
5 grounds; and

6 (c) The public entering school grounds through as few entrances as
7 possible, such as through the main entrance of a school's
8 administrative offices.

9 NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. (1) The school safety advisory committee
10 convened by the office of the superintendent of public instruction
11 shall develop model policies and strategies for school districts and
12 local law enforcement agencies to design emergency response systems
13 using evolving technology to expedite the response and arrival of law
14 enforcement in the event of a threat or emergency at a school. The
15 committee shall develop policies and strategies appropriate for a range
16 of different threat or emergency scenarios.

17 (2)(a) The school safety advisory committee shall also develop
18 recommendations related to incorporating school safety features in the
19 planning and design of new or remodeled school facilities. The
20 recommendations shall address, at a minimum:

21 (i) Options to address public access to school buildings and
22 grounds;

23 (ii) Interior design features to address public access to
24 classrooms; and

25 (iii) Options and best practices to protect students and staff in
26 the event of a threat during school hours.

27 (b) The recommendations shall consider and provide flexibility
28 regarding varying campus designs, geographic locations, site-specific
29 needs, grade-level configurations, cost-effectiveness, and coordination
30 with local law enforcement in a manner suitable to the locale.

31 (3) The school safety advisory committee shall submit a report to
32 the education committees of the legislature by December 1, 2013, and
33 post the report, model policies and recommendations developed under
34 this section, and other resource information to assist school districts
35 on the school safety center web site.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.300
2 RCW to read as follows:

3 Subject to funds appropriated specifically for this purpose, the
4 office of the superintendent of public instruction shall allocate
5 grants to school districts on a competitive basis for the purpose of
6 implementing emergency response systems using evolving technology to
7 expedite the response and arrival of law enforcement in the event of a
8 threat or emergency at a school."

9 Correct the title.

EFFECT: Makes the following changes to the underlying bill:

 Rather than requiring districts either to develop a panic alarm system or use a model policy for a panic alarm system, requires districts to work with local law enforcement to develop an "emergency response system" to expedite the response and arrival of law enforcement in the event of a threat or emergency. Encourages districts to use model policies developed by the School Safety Advisory Committee (SSAC) for this purpose. Requires districts to submit a progress report to OSPI by December 1, 2014.

 Requires school districts to consider, rather than strongly consider or give preference to, installing perimeter security control and using building designs with certain safety features.

 Directs the SSAC to develop model policies regarding emergency response appropriate for a range of scenarios. Also directs the SSAC to develop recommendations for incorporating specified school safety features in the planning and design of new or remodeled facilities. Requires a report by December 1, 2013, with related information and recommendations to be posted on the web site.

 Directs the OSPI to allocate grants on a competitive basis, if funds are appropriated, for districts to implement emergency response systems.

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