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AN ACT Relating to complying with the state's constitutional duty to make ample provision for a basic education by prioritizing state funding for K-12 education and targeting state investments on reforms with the highest impact on student success; amending RCW 28A.150.380, 28A.150.220, 28A.150.260, 28A.150.315, and 28A.160.192; adding a new section to chapter 44.04 RCW; creating a new section; and declaring an emergency.

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

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NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) Article IX of the Washington state Constitution specifies that "it is the paramount duty of the state to make ample provision for the education of all children residing within its borders, without distinction or preference on account of race, color, caste, or sex." In McCleary v. State of Washington, the Washington state supreme court affirmed that "paramount" in the context of Article IX means that the state must "amply provide for the education of all Washington children as the state's first and highest priority before any other state programs or operations." Therefore, to ensure compliance with the state's Article IX duty, the legislature

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intends to fund K-12 education first, fully, and separately, before any other state programs or operations.

(2) Furthermore, the legislature recognizes the critical importance 3 4 of children's early academic years on their long-term success. robust body of high-quality research shows that access to full-day 5 6 kindergarten leads to greater academic achievement and better socialemotional outcomes. Smaller class sizes for our youngest learners mean 7 8 more opportunity to personalize instruction and provide early 9 interventions for children. Therefore, in recognition of these facts and for educational policy reasons, the legislature 10 11 reprioritize the phase-in schedule for additional state investments 12 found in chapter 236, Laws of 2010, to fully fund all-day kindergarten 13 by the 2014-15 school year; K-3 class size reductions and increased instructional hours by the 2016-17 school year; and materials, 14 15 supplies, and operating costs and pupil transportation by the 2018-19 16 school year.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 44.04 RCW to read as follows:

- (1) Under Article IX, section 1 of the state Constitution, it is the paramount duty of the state to make ample provision for the education of all of Washington's children. According to the state supreme court, this constitutional provision requires that the legislature define and fully fund a program of K-12 basic education before the legislature funds any other statutory programs. For these reasons, it is the intent of the legislature to require that all appropriations for K-12 basic education, together with appropriations for other K-12 education programs, be enacted into law before the legislature takes executive action on other omnibus appropriations legislation.
- (2) As of the effective date of this section, appropriations for the purposes of RCW 28A.150.380 and other K-12 education purposes must be enacted into law before it is in order for either house of the legislature to take executive action on omnibus operating or transportation appropriations legislation.
- 35 (3) The house of representatives and senate, jointly or separately, 36 may adopt rules or resolutions to implement their respective 37 responsibilities under this section.

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Sec. 3. RCW 28A.150.380 and 2012 1st sp.s. c 10 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:

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- (1) The state legislature shall, at each regular session in an odd-numbered year, appropriate for the current use of the common schools such amounts as needed for state support to school districts during the ensuing biennium for the program of basic education under RCW 28A.150.200.
- (2) In addition to those state funds provided to school districts for basic education, the legislature may appropriate funds to be distributed to school districts for other factors and for other special programs to enhance or enrich the program of basic education.
- (3) As of the effective date of this section, appropriations for the purposes of this section and other K-12 education purposes must be made in legislation that is separate from the omnibus operating appropriations act. Such appropriations must be enacted into law before it is in order for either house of the legislature to take executive action on omnibus operating appropriations legislation.
- (4) As of the effective date of this section, appropriations for 18 the purposes of phasing-in enhanced state funding for all-day 19 20 kindergarten; K-3 class size; increased minimum instructional hours; 21 materials, supplies, and operating costs; and pupil transportation must be made in priority order as provided in this subsection. For the five 22 items specified in this subsection, no increased appropriations beyond 23 24 maintenance-level adjustments or adjustments to reflect changes in state allocations for employee salaries and benefits may be made for a 25 26 lower priority item until funding for the next highest priority item is fully phased-in. The priority order for phasing-in enhanced state 27 funding is as follows: 28
- 29 (a) First priority: All-day kindergarten according to the timeline 30 under RCW 28A.150.315;
- 31 (b) Second priority: Reduced K-3 class size according to the timeline under RCW 28A.150.260(4)(b);
- 33 <u>(c) Third priority: Increased minimum instructional hours</u> 34 according to the timeline under RCW 28A.150.220(2)(a);
- 35 (d) Fourth priority: Increased allocations for materials,
 36 supplies, and operating costs according to the timeline under RCW
 37 28A.150.260(8)(b); and

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1 (e) Fifth priority: Increased allocations for pupil transportation 2 according to the timeline under RCW 28A.160.192.

- Sec. 4. RCW 28A.150.220 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 27 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:
- (1) In order for students to have the opportunity to develop the basic education knowledge and skills under RCW 28A.150.210, school districts must provide instruction of sufficient quantity and quality and give students the opportunity to complete graduation requirements that are intended to prepare them for postsecondary education, gainful employment, and citizenship. The program established under this section shall be the minimum instructional program of basic education offered by school districts.
- (2) Each school district shall make available to students the following minimum instructional offering each school year:
- (a) For students enrolled in grades one through twelve, at least a district-wide annual average of one thousand hours, which shall be increased <u>district-wide</u> to at least one thousand eighty instructional hours for students enrolled in each of grades seven through twelve and at least one thousand instructional hours for students in each of grades one through six ((according to an implementation schedule adopted by the legislature, but not before the 2014-15)) beginning with the 2016-17 school year; and
- (b) For students enrolled in kindergarten, at least four hundred fifty instructional hours, which shall be increased to at least one thousand instructional hours according to the implementation schedule under RCW 28A.150.315.
- (3) The instructional program of basic education provided by each school district shall include:
- (a) Instruction in the essential academic learning requirements under RCW 28A.655.070;
- (b) Instruction that provides students the opportunity to complete twenty-four credits for high school graduation, subject to a phased-in implementation of the twenty-four credits as established by the legislature. Course distribution requirements may be established by the state board of education under RCW 28A.230.090;
- 36 (c) If the essential academic learning requirements include a

requirement of languages other than English, the requirement may be met by students receiving instruction in one or more American Indian languages;

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- (d) Supplemental instruction and services for underachieving students through the learning assistance program under RCW 28A.165.005 through 28A.165.065;
- (e) Supplemental instruction and services for eligible and enrolled students whose primary language is other than English through the transitional bilingual instruction program under RCW 28A.180.010 through 28A.180.080;
- (f) The opportunity for an appropriate education at public expense as defined by RCW 28A.155.020 for all eligible students with disabilities as defined in RCW 28A.155.020; and
- 14 (g) Programs for highly capable students under RCW 28A.185.010 15 through 28A.185.030.
 - (4) Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to require individual students to attend school for any particular number of hours per day or to take any particular courses.
 - (5) Each school district's kindergarten through twelfth grade basic educational program shall be accessible to all students who are five years of age, as provided by RCW 28A.225.160, and less than twenty-one years of age and shall consist of a minimum of one hundred eighty school days per school year in such grades as are conducted by a school district, and one hundred eighty half-days of instruction, equivalent, in kindergarten, to be increased to a minimum of one hundred eighty school days per school year according to the implementation schedule under RCW 28A.150.315. However, effective May 1, 1979, a school district may schedule the last five school days of the one hundred and eighty day school year for noninstructional purposes in the case of students who are graduating from high school, including, but not limited to, the observance of graduation and early release from school upon the request of a student, and all such students may be claimed as a full-time equivalent student to the extent they could otherwise have been so claimed for the purposes of RCW 28A.150.250 and 28A.150.260.
 - (6) Nothing in this section precludes a school district from enriching the instructional program of basic education, such as

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offering additional instruction or providing additional services, programs, or activities that the school district determines to be appropriate for the education of the school district's students.

(7) The state board of education shall adopt rules to implement and ensure compliance with the program requirements imposed by this section, RCW 28A.150.250 and 28A.150.260, and such related supplemental program approval requirements as the state board may establish.

8 Sec. 5. RCW 28A.150.260 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 27 s 2 are each 9 amended to read as follows:

The purpose of this section is to provide for the allocation of state funding that the legislature deems necessary to support school districts in offering the minimum instructional program of basic education under RCW 28A.150.220. The allocation shall be determined as follows:

- (1) The governor shall and the superintendent of public instruction may recommend to the legislature a formula for the distribution of a basic education instructional allocation for each common school district.
- (2) The distribution formula under this section shall be for allocation purposes only. Except as may be required under chapter 28A.155, 28A.165, 28A.180, or 28A.185 RCW, or federal laws and regulations, nothing in this section requires school districts to use basic education instructional funds to implement a particular instructional approach or service. Nothing in this section requires school districts to maintain a particular classroom teacher-to-student ratio or other staff-to-student ratio or to use allocated funds to pay for particular types or classifications of staff. Nothing in this section entitles an individual teacher to a particular teacher planning period.
- (3)(a) To the extent the technical details of the formula have been adopted by the legislature and except when specifically provided as a school district allocation, the distribution formula for the basic education instructional allocation shall be based on minimum staffing and nonstaff costs the legislature deems necessary to support instruction and operations in prototypical schools serving high, middle, and elementary school students as provided in this section. The use of prototypical schools for the distribution formula does not

constitute legislative intent that schools should be operated or 1 2 structured in a similar fashion as the prototypes. Prototypical schools illustrate the level of resources needed to operate a school of 3 a particular size with particular types and grade levels of students 4 using commonly understood terms and inputs, such as class size, hours 5 6 of instruction, and various categories of school staff. intent that the funding allocations to school districts be adjusted 7 from the school prototypes based on the actual number of annual average 8 9 full-time equivalent students in each grade level at each school in the district and not based on the grade-level configuration of the school 10 11 to the extent that data is available. The allocations shall be further 12 adjusted from the school prototypes with minimum allocations for small 13 schools and to reflect other factors identified in the omnibus 14 appropriations act.

(b) For the purposes of this section, prototypical schools are defined as follows:

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- (i) A prototypical high school has six hundred average annual full-time equivalent students in grades nine through twelve;
- (ii) A prototypical middle school has four hundred thirty-two average annual full-time equivalent students in grades seven and eight; and
- (iii) A prototypical elementary school has four hundred average annual full-time equivalent students in grades kindergarten through six.
- (4)(a) The minimum allocation for each level of prototypical school shall be based on the number of full-time equivalent classroom teachers needed to provide instruction over the minimum required annual instructional hours under RCW 28A.150.220 and provide at least one teacher planning period per school day, and based on the following general education average class size of full-time equivalent students per teacher:

32	General education
33	average
34	class size
35	Grades K-3
36	Grade 4
37	Grades 5-6
38	Grades 7-8

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1	Grades 9-12
2	(b) ((During the 2011-2013 biennium)) Following the priority order
3	and provisions of RCW 28A.150.380 and beginning with schools with the
4	highest percentage of students eligible for free and reduced-price
5	meals in the prior school year, the general education average class
6	size for grades K-3 shall be reduced until the average class size
7	funded under this subsection (4) is no more than 17.0 full-time
8	equivalent students per teacher beginning in the $((2017-18))$ $2016-17$
9	school year.
10	(c) The minimum allocation for each prototypical middle and high
11	school shall also provide for full-time equivalent classroom teachers
12	based on the following number of full-time equivalent students per
13	teacher in career and technical education:
14	Career and technical
15	education average
16	class size
17	Approved career and technical education offered at
18	the middle school and high school level
19	Skill center programs meeting the standards established
20	by the office of the superintendent of public
21	instruction
22	(d) In addition, the omnibus appropriations act shall at a minimum
23	specify:
24	(i) A high-poverty average class size in schools where more than
25	fifty percent of the students are eligible for free and reduced-price
26	meals; and
27	(ii) A specialty average class size for laboratory science,
28	advanced placement, and international baccalaureate courses.
29	(e) Funding enhancements in addition to the allocations provided in
30	this section to support increased instructional hours required under
31	RCW 28A.150.220(2)(a) shall be specified in the omnibus appropriations
32	act, following the priority order and provisions of RCW 28A.150.380.
33	(5) The minimum allocation for each level of prototypical school
34	shall include allocations for the following types of staff in addition

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to classroom teachers:

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2		Elementary	Middle	High
3		School	School	School
4	Principals, assistant principals, and other certificated building-level			
5	administrators	1.253	1.353	1.880
6	Teacher librarians, a function that includes information literacy, technology,			
7	and media to support school library media programs	0.663	0.519	0.523
8	Health and social services:			
9	School nurses	0.076	0.060	0.096
10	Social workers	0.042	0.006	0.015
11	Psychologists	0.017	0.002	0.007
12	Guidance counselors, a function that includes parent outreach and graduation			
13	advising	0.493	1.116	1.909
14	Teaching assistance, including any aspect of educational instructional			
15	services provided by classified employees	0.936	0.700	0.652
16	Office support and other noninstructional aides	2.012	2.325	3.269
17	Custodians	1.657	1.942	2.965
18	Classified staff providing student and staff safety	0.079	0.092	0.141
19	Parent involvement coordinators	0.00	0.00	0.00
20	(6)(a) The minimum staffing allocation for	or each so	chool d	istrict t
21	provide district-wide support services sha	ll be al	llocated	d per on
22	thousand annual average full-time equivalent	students	in grad	es K-12 a
23	follows:			

24	Staff per	1,000
25	K-12 stu	ıdents
26	Technology	0.628
27	Facilities, maintenance, and grounds	1.813
28	Warehouse, laborers, and mechanics	0.332

- (b) The minimum allocation of staff units for each school district support certificated and classified staffing of central administration shall be 5.30 percent of the staff units generated under subsections (4)(a) and (b) and (5) of this section and (a) of this subsection.
 - (7) The distribution formula shall include staffing allocations to

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1	school districts for career and technical education and skill center
2	administrative and other school-level certificated staff, as specified
3	in the omnibus appropriations act.
4	(8)(a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, the minimum
5	allocation for each school district shall include allocations per
6	annual average full-time equivalent student for the following
7	materials, supplies, and operating costs, to be adjusted for inflation
8	from the 2008-09 school year:
9	Per annual average
10	full-time equivalent student
11	in grades K-12
12	Technology
13	Utilities and insurance
14	Curriculum and textbooks
15	Other supplies and library materials \$124.07
16	Instructional professional development for certified and
17	classified staff
18	Facilities maintenance
19	Security and central office
20	(b) (($rac{During\ the\ 2011-2013\ biennium,}$)) <u>T</u> he minimum allocation for
21	((maintenance)) materials, supplies, and operating costs shall be
22	increased as specified in the omnibus appropriations act following the
23	priority order and provisions of RCW 28A.150.380. The following
24	allocations, adjusted for inflation from the 2007-08 school year, are
25	provided in the $((\frac{2015-16}{}))$ $\underline{2018-19}$ school year, after which the
26	allocations shall be adjusted annually for inflation as specified in
27	the omnibus appropriations act:
28	Per annual average
29	full-time equivalent student
30	in grades K-12
31	Technology
32	Utilities and insurance
33	Curriculum and textbooks
34	Other supplies and library materials \$259.39
35	Instructional professional development for certificated and
36	classified staff
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- (9) In addition to the amounts provided in subsection (8) of this section, the omnibus appropriations act shall provide an amount based on full-time equivalent student enrollment in each of the following:
- (a) Exploratory career and technical education courses for students in grades seven through twelve;
- (b) Laboratory science courses for students in grades nine through twelve;
- (c) Preparatory career and technical education courses for students in grades nine through twelve offered in a high school; and
- (d) Preparatory career and technical education courses for students in grades eleven and twelve offered through a skill center.
- (10) In addition to the allocations otherwise provided under this section, amounts shall be provided to support the following programs and services:
- instruction (a) To provide supplemental and services for underachieving students through the learning assistance program under RCW 28A.165.005 through 28A.165.065, allocations shall be based on the district percentage of students in grades K-12 who were eligible for free or reduced-price meals in the prior school year. The minimum allocation for the program shall provide for each level of prototypical school resources to provide, on a statewide average, 1.5156 hours per week in extra instruction with a class size of fifteen learning assistance program students per teacher.
- (b) To provide supplemental instruction and services for students whose primary language is other than English, allocations shall be based on the head count number of students in each school who are eligible for and enrolled in the transitional bilingual instruction program under RCW 28A.180.010 through 28A.180.080. The minimum allocation for each level of prototypical school shall provide resources to provide, on a statewide average, 4.7780 hours per week in extra instruction with fifteen transitional bilingual instruction program students per teacher. Notwithstanding other provisions of this subsection (10), the actual per-student allocation may be scaled to provide a larger allocation for students needing more intensive intervention and a commensurate reduced allocation for students needing less intensive intervention, as detailed in the omnibus appropriations act.

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(c) To provide additional allocations to support programs for highly capable students under RCW 28A.185.010 through 28A.185.030, allocations shall be based on two and three hundred fourteen one-thousandths percent of each school district's full-time equivalent basic education enrollment. The minimum allocation for the programs shall provide resources to provide, on a statewide average, 2.1590 hours per week in extra instruction with fifteen highly capable program students per teacher.

- 9 (11) The allocations under subsections (4)(a) and (b), (5), (6), 10 and (8) of this section shall be enhanced as provided under RCW 11 28A.150.390 on an excess cost basis to provide supplemental 12 instructional resources for students with disabilities.
 - (12)(a) For the purposes of allocations for prototypical high schools and middle schools under subsections (4) and (10) of this section that are based on the percent of students in the school who are eligible for free and reduced-price meals, the actual percent of such students in a school shall be adjusted by a factor identified in the omnibus appropriations act to reflect underreporting of free and reduced-price meal eligibility among middle and high school students.
 - (b) Allocations or enhancements provided under subsections (4), (7), and (9) of this section for exploratory and preparatory career and technical education courses shall be provided only for courses approved by the office of the superintendent of public instruction under chapter 28A.700 RCW.
 - (13)(a) This formula for distribution of basic education funds shall be reviewed biennially by the superintendent and governor. The recommended formula shall be subject to approval, amendment or rejection by the legislature.
 - (b) In the event the legislature rejects the distribution formula recommended by the governor, without adopting a new distribution formula, the distribution formula for the previous school year shall remain in effect.
 - (c) The enrollment of any district shall be the annual average number of full-time equivalent students and part-time students as provided in RCW 28A.150.350, enrolled on the first school day of each month, including students who are in attendance pursuant to RCW 28A.335.160 and 28A.225.250 who do not reside within the servicing school district. The definition of full-time equivalent student shall

- be determined by rules of the superintendent of public instruction and shall be included as part of the superintendent's biennial budget request. The definition shall be based on the minimum instructional hour offerings required under RCW 28A.150.220. Any revision of the present definition shall not take effect until approved by the house ways and means committee and the senate ways and means committee.
 - (d) The office of financial management shall make a monthly review of the superintendent's reported full-time equivalent students in the common schools in conjunction with RCW 43.62.050.
- 10 **Sec. 6.** RCW 28A.150.315 and 2012 c 51 s 1 are each amended to read 11 as follows:

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- 12 (1) Beginning with the 2007-08 school year, funding for voluntary 13 all-day kindergarten programs shall be phased-in beginning with schools 14 with the highest poverty levels, defined as those schools with the highest percentages of students qualifying for free and reduced-price 15 16 lunch support in the prior school year. ((-During the 2011-2013 biennium,)) Funding shall continue to be phased-in ((each year)) 17 18 following the priority order and provisions of RCW 28A.150.380 until full statewide implementation of all-day kindergarten is achieved in 19 20 the ((2017-18)) 2014-15 school year. Once a school receives funding 21 for the all-day kindergarten program, that school shall remain eligible 22 for funding in subsequent school years regardless of changes in the 23 school's percentage of students eligible for free and reduced-price 24 lunches as long as other program requirements are fulfilled. 25 Additionally, schools receiving all-day kindergarten program support 26 shall agree to the following conditions:
 - (a) Provide at least a one thousand-hour instructional program;
 - (b) Provide a curriculum that offers a rich, varied set of experiences that assist students in:
- 30 (i) Developing initial skills in the academic areas of reading, 31 mathematics, and writing;
 - (ii) Developing a variety of communication skills;
- (iii) Providing experiences in science, social studies, arts, health and physical education, and a world language other than English;
- (iv) Acquiring large and small motor skills;
- 36 (v) Acquiring social and emotional skills including successful

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1 participation in learning activities as an individual and as part of a group; and

(vi) Learning through hands-on experiences;

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- (c) Establish learning environments that are developmentally appropriate and promote creativity;
- (d) Demonstrate strong connections and communication with early learning community providers; and
- (e) Participate in kindergarten program readiness activities with early learning providers and parents.
- (2)(a) It is the intent of the legislature that administration of the Washington kindergarten inventory of developing skills as required in this subsection (2) and RCW 28A.655.080 replace administration of other assessments being required by school districts or that other assessments only be administered if they seek to obtain information not covered by the Washington kindergarten inventory of developing skills.
- (b) In addition to the requirements in subsection (1) of this section and to the extent funds are available, beginning with the 2011-12 school year on a voluntary basis, schools must identify the skills, knowledge, and characteristics of kindergarten students at the beginning of the school year in order to support social-emotional, physical, and cognitive growth and development of individual children; support early learning provider and parent involvement; and inform instruction. Kindergarten teachers shall administer the Washington kindergarten inventory of developing skills, as directed by the superintendent of public instruction in consultation with the department of early learning and in collaboration with the nongovernmental private-public partnership designated in RCW 43.215.070, and report the results to the superintendent. The superintendent shall share the results with the director of the department of early learning.
- (c) School districts shall provide an opportunity for parents and guardians to excuse their children from participation in the Washington kindergarten inventory of developing skills.
- (3) Subject to funds appropriated for this purpose, the superintendent of public instruction shall designate one or more school districts to serve as resources and examples of best practices in designing and operating a high-quality all-day kindergarten program. Designated school districts shall serve as lighthouse programs and

provide technical assistance to other school districts in the initial stages of implementing an all-day kindergarten program. Examples of topics addressed by the technical assistance include strategic planning, developing the instructional program and curriculum, working with early learning providers to identify students and communicate with parents, and developing kindergarten program readiness activities.

Sec. 7. RCW 28A.160.192 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 27 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) The superintendent of public instruction shall phase-in the implementation of the distribution formula under this chapter for allocating state funds to school districts for the transportation of students to and from school. The phase-in shall begin no later than the 2011-2013 biennium, follow the priority order and provisions of RCW 28A.150.380, and be fully implemented by the ((2013-2015 biennium)) 2018-19 school year.
- (a) The formula must be developed and revised on an ongoing basis using the major cost factors in student transportation, including basic and special student loads, school district land area, average distance to school, roadway miles, and number of locations served. Factors must include all those site characteristics that are statistically significant after analysis of the data required by the revised reporting process.
- (b) The formula must allocate funds to school districts based on the average predicted costs of transporting students to and from school, using a regression analysis. Only factors that are statistically significant shall be used in the regression analysis. Employee compensation costs included in the allowable transportation expenditures used for the purpose of establishing each school district's independent variable in the regression analysis shall be limited to the base salary or hourly wage rates, fringe benefit rates, and applicable health care rates provided in the omnibus appropriations act.
- (2) During the phase-in period, funding provided to school districts for student transportation operations shall be distributed on the following basis:
- (a) Annually, each school district shall receive the lesser of the previous school year's pupil transportation operations allocation, or

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the total of allowable pupil transportation expenditures identified on the previous school year's final expenditure report to the state plus district indirect expenses using the federal restricted indirect rate as calculated in the district annual financial report;

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- (b) Annually, the amount identified in (a) of this subsection shall be adjusted for any budgeted increases provided in the omnibus appropriations act for salaries or fringe benefits;
- (c) Annually, any funds appropriated by the legislature in excess of the maintenance level funding amount for student transportation shall be distributed among school districts on a prorated basis using the difference between the amount identified in (a) adjusted by (b) of this subsection and the amount determined under the formula in RCW 28A.160.180; and
- (d) Allocations provided to recognize the cost of depreciation to districts contracting with private carriers for student transportation shall be deducted from the allowable transportation expenditures in (a) of this subsection.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect immediately.

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