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1 AN ACT Relating to providing for educational data on students from
2 military families; amending RCW 28A.300.042; and creating a new
3 section.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The legislature finds that, nationally,
6 nearly two million students are from military families, where one or
7 more parent or guardian serves in the United States armed forces,
8 reserves, or national guard. There are approximately one hundred
9 thirty-six thousand military families in Washington state.

10 (2) The legislature further finds that a United States government
11 accountability office study in 2011 identified that it is not possible
12 to monitor educational outcomes for students from military families due
13 to the lack of a student identifier in state educational data systems.
14 Such an identifier is needed to allow educators and policymakers to
15 monitor critical elements of education success, including academic
16 progress and proficiency, special and advanced program participation,
17 mobility and dropout rates, and patterns over time across states and
18 school districts. Reliable information about student performance will

1 assist educators in more effectively transitioning students to a new
2 school and enable school districts to discover and implement best
3 practices.

4 **Sec. 2.** RCW 28A.300.042 and 2013 2nd sp.s. c 18 s 307 are each
5 amended to read as follows:

6 (1) All student data-related reports required of the superintendent
7 of public instruction in this title must be disaggregated by at least
8 the following subgroups of students: White, Black, Hispanic, American
9 Indian/Alaskan Native, Asian, Pacific Islander/Hawaiian Native, low
10 income, transitional bilingual, migrant, special education, students
11 from military families, and students covered by section 504 of the
12 federal rehabilitation act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. Sec. 794).

13 (2)(a) For the purposes of this section "students from military
14 families" means the following categories of students, with data to be
15 collected and reported separately for each category:

16 (i) Students with a parent or guardian who is a member of the
17 active duty United States armed forces; and

18 (ii) Students with a parent or guardian who is a member of the
19 reserves of the United States armed forces or a member of the
20 Washington national guard.

21 (b) School districts shall identify students from military families
22 in the statewide student data system beginning no later than the 2015-
23 16 school year. The K-12 data governance group under RCW 28A.300.507
24 shall develop best practice guidelines for the collection and regular
25 updating of the information.

26 (3) All student data-related reports required of the superintendent
27 of public instruction regarding student suspensions and expulsions as
28 required in RCW 28A.300.046 are subject to disaggregation by subgroups
29 including:

- 30 (a) Gender;
- 31 (b) Foster care;
- 32 (c) Homeless, if known;
- 33 (d) School district;
- 34 (e) School;
- 35 (f) Grade level;
- 36 (g) Behavior infraction code, including:
- 37 (i) Bullying;

1 (ii) Tobacco;
2 (iii) Alcohol;
3 (iv) Illicit drug;
4 (v) Fighting without major injury;
5 (vi) Violence without major injury;
6 (vii) Violence with major injury;
7 (viii) Possession of a weapon; and
8 (ix) Other behavior resulting from a short-term or long-term
9 suspension, expulsion, or interim alternative education setting
10 intervention;
11 (h) Intervention applied, including:
12 (i) Short-term suspension;
13 (ii) Long-term suspension;
14 (iii) Emergency expulsion;
15 (iv) Expulsion;
16 (v) Interim alternative education settings;
17 (vi) No intervention applied; and
18 (vii) Other intervention applied that is not described in this
19 subsection (~~(+2)~~) (3)(h);
20 (i) Number of days a student is suspended or expelled, to be
21 counted in half or full days; and
22 (j) Any other categories added at a future date by the data
23 governance group.
24 (~~(+3)~~) (4) All student data-related reports required of the
25 superintendent of public instruction regarding student suspensions and
26 expulsions as required in RCW 28A.300.046 are subject to cross-
27 tabulation at a minimum by the following:
28 (a) School and district;
29 (b) Race, low income, special education, transitional bilingual,
30 migrant, foster care, homeless, students covered by section 504 of the
31 federal rehabilitation act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. Sec. 794),
32 and categories to be added in the future;
33 (c) Behavior infraction code; and
34 (d) Intervention applied.

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