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By Representatives Caldier, Santos, Parker, Reykdal, Magendanz, Hayes, Young, Pollet, and Tharinger

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1 AN ACT Relating to waiving local graduation requirements for
2 certain students; and amending RCW 28A.320.192.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.320.192 and 2012 c 163 s 7 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 In order to facilitate the on-time grade level progression and
7 graduation of students who are dependent pursuant to chapter 13.34
8 RCW, at-risk youth or children in need of services pursuant to
9 chapter 13.32 RCW, or homeless, school districts must incorporate the
10 following procedures:

11 (1) School districts must waive specific courses required for
12 graduation if similar coursework has been satisfactorily completed in
13 another school district or must provide reasonable justification for
14 denial. Should a waiver not be granted to a student who would qualify
15 to graduate from the sending school district, the receiving school
16 district must use best efforts to provide an alternative means of
17 acquiring required coursework so that graduation may occur on time.

18 (2) School districts are encouraged to consolidate unresolved or
19 incomplete coursework and provide opportunities for credit accrual
20 through local classroom hours, correspondence courses, or the

1 portable assisted study sequence units designed for migrant high
2 school students.

3 (3) Should a student who is transferring at the beginning or
4 during the student's junior or senior year be ineligible to graduate
5 from the receiving school district after all alternatives have been
6 considered, the sending and receiving districts must ensure the
7 receipt of a diploma from the sending district if the student meets
8 the graduation requirements of the sending district.

9 (4) Should a student have attended three or more high schools and
10 have met state requirements but be ineligible to graduate from the
11 receiving school district after all alternatives have been
12 considered, the receiving school district must waive its local
13 requirements and ensure the receipt of a diploma.

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