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By Representatives Stambaugh, Pollet, Haler, Frame, Bergquist, Rossetti, Magendanz, Zeiger, Sells, and Santos

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1 AN ACT Relating to tracking and mapping student engagement
2 initiatives that improve student success through partnerships between
3 K-12 and postsecondary educational institutions; adding a new section
4 to chapter 28B.35 RCW; creating new sections; and making an
5 appropriation.

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

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that postsecondary
8 educational institutions serve an important role in supporting K-12
9 student success. Partnerships between K-12 schools and postsecondary
10 educational institutions effectively support academic achievement of
11 K-12 students through college and university student engagement.
12 Furthermore, the legislature finds that data is needed to improve and
13 expand partnerships between K-12 schools and postsecondary
14 educational institutions. The legislature intends to map and track
15 partnerships between K-12 schools and postsecondary educational
16 institutions to improve assessment, increase student engagement,
17 support partnerships, and facilitate the dissemination of best
18 practices for student success partnerships.

19 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.35
20 RCW to read as follows:

1 The Washington campus compact, a statewide consortium of public
2 and private institutions of higher education hosted at Western
3 Washington University, shall develop a statewide program to map,
4 track, and improve partnerships between identified postsecondary
5 educational institutions and K-12 schools. The program must:

6 (1) Map and track partnerships between postsecondary educational
7 institutions, K-12 schools, and community-based organizations focused
8 on student success and academic achievement;

9 (2) Document partnership goals, strategies, and intended
10 outcomes;

11 (3) Advise postsecondary educational institutions on data
12 collection systems;

13 (4) Train postsecondary educational institutions on building
14 effective partnerships and improving assessment strategies;

15 (5) Develop a statewide database of student engagement and
16 student social entrepreneurship;

17 (6) Promote and encourage student engagement across the state to
18 improve student success partnerships; and

19 (7) Recognize student leaders engaged in service and social
20 entrepreneurship.

21 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** By July 1, 2017, and in compliance with
22 RCW 43.01.036, Washington campus compact must submit a report to the
23 legislature that details preliminary results and recommendations
24 arising from the program outlined in section 2 of this act.

25 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** The sum of four hundred twenty-five
26 thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is
27 appropriated for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, from the
28 general fund to Western Washington University for the purposes of
29 this act.

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