
SECOND SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5252

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By Senate Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Dammeier, McAuliffe, King, Litzow, and Angel)

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1 AN ACT Relating to a program to implement regional school safety
2 and security centers in educational service districts; adding a new
3 section to chapter 28A.310 RCW; and creating a new section.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that school
6 personnel are often the first responders when there is a violent
7 threat or natural or man-made disaster at a school. The legislature
8 further finds there is a need to develop training for school
9 personnel to intervene and provide assistance during these emergency
10 incidents. The legislature recognizes an educational service district
11 has developed a model for a regional school safety and security
12 center, which can provide this type of training.

13 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.310
14 RCW to read as follows:

15 (1) Educational service districts may implement a regional school
16 safety and security program modeled after the educational service
17 district that has developed a regional school safety and security
18 center.

19 (2) The programs should include the following components:

- 1 (a) Establishment of a network of school safety coordinators for
2 the educational service districts, which shall focus on prevention
3 planning, intervention, mitigation, crisis response, and community
4 recovery regarding emergency incidents in schools;
- 5 (b) Collaboration with the educational service district that
6 developed the model for a regional school safety and security center
7 to adopt its model for a regional school safety and security center;
- 8 (c) Creation of technology-based systems that enable more
9 efficient and effective communication between schools and emergency
10 response entities, including local law enforcement, local fire
11 department, and state and federal responders;
- 12 (d) Provision of technology support to improve communication and
13 data management between schools and emergency response entities;
- 14 (e) Ongoing training of school personnel and emergency responders
15 to establish a system for preventative identification, intervention
16 strategies, and management of risk behaviors;
- 17 (f) Development of a professional development to train school
18 personnel as first responders until the arrival of emergency
19 responders; and
- 20 (g) Building collaborative relationships between other
21 educational service districts, the office of the superintendent of
22 public instruction, and the school safety advisory committee.

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