

SHB 1115 - H AMD 168

By Representative Bergquist

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1 On page 4, beginning on line 28, after "(2)" strike all material
2 through "board" on line 33 and insert "(a) Subject to the availability
3 of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, beginning September
4 1, 2019, school districts must provide access to a four day course of
5 study on the state standards of practice, such as the course approved
6 by the board under section 4 of this act, to paraeducators who have
7 not completed the course, either in the district or in another
8 district within the state. School districts must use best efforts to
9 provide paraeducators with access to the course of study before the
10 paraeducator begins to work with students and their families, and at a
11 minimum by the deadlines provided in (b) of this subsection.

12 (b) School districts must provide access to the course of study
13 required in (a) of this subsection as follows:

14 (i) For paraeducators hired on or before September 1st, by
15 September 30th of that year, regardless of the size of the district;
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17 (ii) For paraeducators hired after September 1st:

18 (A) For districts with ten thousand or more students, within four
19 months of the date of hire; and

20 (B) For districts with fewer than ten thousand students, no later
21 than September 1st of the following year

22 (c) School districts may collaborate with other school districts
23 or educational service districts to meet the requirements of this
24 subsection (2)"

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26 On page 14, after line 2, insert the following:

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1 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 19.** RCW 28A.415.310 (Paraprofessional
2 training program) and 1993 c 336 s 408 are each repealed."

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4 Correct the title.

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EFFECT: Replaces a requirement that school districts implement a course of study for paraeducators on the state standards of practice using 32 hours of state-funded paraeducator professional learning time with a requirement that, subject to funding by the Legislature, school districts provide access to a four day course of study on the state standards of practice to paraeducators who have not completed the course, either in the district or in another district within the state. Requires that school districts use best efforts to provide paraeducators with access to the course of study before the paraeducator begins to work with students and their families. Specifies deadlines for when a district must offer the course that differ based on when a paraeducator is hired and the size of the district. Repeals a 1993 statute related to a paraprofessional training program.

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