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1 AN ACT Relating to notification of availability of immunization
2 exemptions; and amending RCW 28A.210.080.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.210.080 and 2007 c 276 s 1 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) The attendance of every child at every public and private
7 school in the state and licensed day care center shall be conditioned
8 upon the presentation before or on each child's first day of
9 attendance at a particular school or center, of proof of either (a)
10 full immunization, (b) the initiation of and compliance with a
11 schedule of immunization, as required by rules of the state board of
12 health, or (c) a certificate of exemption as provided for in RCW
13 28A.210.090. The attendance at the school or the day care center
14 during any subsequent school year of a child who has initiated a
15 schedule of immunization shall be conditioned upon the presentation
16 of proof of compliance with the schedule on the child's first day of
17 attendance during the subsequent school year. Once proof of full
18 immunization or proof of completion of an approved schedule has been
19 presented, no further proof shall be required as a condition to
20 attendance at the particular school or center.

1 (2)(a) Beginning with sixth grade entry, every public and private
2 school in the state shall provide parents and guardians with
3 information about meningococcal disease and its vaccine at the
4 beginning of every school year. The information about meningococcal
5 disease shall include:

6 (i) Its causes and symptoms, how meningococcal disease is spread,
7 and the places where parents and guardians may obtain additional
8 information and vaccinations for their children; and

9 (ii) Current recommendations from the United States centers for
10 disease control and prevention regarding the receipt of vaccines for
11 meningococcal disease and where the vaccination can be received.

12 (b) This subsection shall not be construed to require the
13 department of health or the school to provide meningococcal
14 vaccination to students.

15 (c) The department of health shall prepare the informational
16 materials and shall consult with the office of superintendent of
17 public instruction.

18 (d) This subsection does not create a private right of action.

19 (3)(a) Beginning with sixth grade entry, every public school in
20 the state shall provide parents and guardians with information about
21 human papillomavirus disease and its vaccine at the beginning of
22 every school year. The information about human papillomavirus disease
23 shall include:

24 (i) Its causes and symptoms, how human papillomavirus disease is
25 spread, and the places where parents and guardians may obtain
26 additional information and vaccinations for their children; and

27 (ii) Current recommendations from the United States centers for
28 disease control and prevention regarding the receipt of vaccines for
29 human papillomavirus disease and where the vaccination can be
30 received.

31 (b) This subsection shall not be construed to require the
32 department of health or the school to provide human papillomavirus
33 vaccination to students.

34 (c) The department of health shall prepare the informational
35 materials and shall consult with the office of the superintendent of
36 public instruction.

37 (d) This subsection does not create a private right of action.

38 (4) Private schools are required by state law to notify parents
39 that information on the human papillomavirus disease prepared by the
40 department of health is available.

1 (5) Every public and private school in the state and licensed day
2 care center must notify parents and guardians of the availability of
3 medical, religious, and philosophical exemptions to vaccinations
4 under RCW 28A.210.090 in the following circumstances:

5 (a) At enrollment or on the student's first day of attendance,
6 whichever is first; and

7 (b) Before any vaccinations are administered on school or day
8 care grounds.

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