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**ESSB 5395** - H AMD TO ED COMM AMD (H-4971.4/20) **2033**

By Representative Klippert

**NOT ADOPTED 03/04/2020**

On page 6, after line 10 of the striking amendment, insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. **Sec.**  A new section is added to chapter 43.30 RCW to read as follows:

(1) The department, in consultation with the office of the superintendent of public instruction, the department of revenue, and the state treasurer, shall develop a program to permit parents and guardians who withdraw a student from a public school because of the provision of comprehensive sexual health education student's school, to receive funding, in the form of a voucher, for the education costs of the student, including for costs associated with tuition at a private school or home-based instruction. Funding provided to parents and guardians in accordance with this subsection (1) must be comparable to the per-pupil amount provided to schools for general apportionment under RCW 28A.150.260.

(2) The department may adopt and periodically update rules for the creation and implementation program required by this section."

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|  | EFFECT:  (1) Directs the Department of Commerce to develop a program to permit parents and guardians who withdraw a student from a public school because of the provision of comprehensive sexual health education at the student's school, to receive funding, in the form of a voucher, for the education costs of the student.  (2) Specifies that the funding provided to parents or guardians must be comparable to the per-pupil amount provided to schools under general apportionment requirements.  (3) Authorizes the Department of Commerce to adopt and periodically update rules for the creation and implementation of the voucher program. |

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