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1 On page 1, after line 7, insert the following:

2 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature recognizes that school
3 nurses, social workers, psychologists, and school counselors are
4 uniquely qualified to provide essential supports that address the
5 physical, social, and emotional needs of students. As the COVID-19
6 pandemic continues to impact the health and well-being of students,
7 the need for comprehensive student supports has grown beyond what is
8 currently funded in the prototypical school model. Therefore, the
9 legislature intends to provide increased allocations to school
10 districts that demonstrate they have hired staff for these roles. The
11 legislature hopes that this enhanced state funding will allow school
12 districts to redirect local levy dollars previously spent on these
13 positions to address learning loss resulting from the COVID-19
14 pandemic or to hire additional physical, social, and emotional
15 support staff."

16 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any
17 internal references accordingly.

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18 On page 1, line 5 of the title, after "creating" strike "a new
19 section" and insert "new sections"

EFFECT: Adds an intent section.

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