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**HOUSE BILL 1066**

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**By** Representatives Stonier, Harris, Ortiz-Self, Dolan, Wylie, and Callan

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1 AN ACT Relating to the powers and duties of educational service  
2 district boards; and amending RCW 28A.310.200.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.310.200 and 2019 c 266 s 17 are each amended to  
5 read as follows:

6 In addition to other powers and duties as provided by law, every  
7 educational service district board shall:

8 (1) Approve the budgets of the educational service district in  
9 accordance with the procedures provided for in this chapter;

10 (2) Meet regularly according to the schedule adopted at the  
11 organization meeting and in special session upon the call of the  
12 chair or a majority of the board;

13 (3) Approve the selection of educational service district  
14 personnel and clerical staff as provided in RCW 28A.310.230;

15 (4) Fix the amount of and approve the bonds for those educational  
16 service district employees designated by the board as being in need  
17 of bonding;

18 (5) Keep in the educational service district office a full and  
19 correct transcript of the boundaries of each school district within  
20 the educational service district;

1 (6) Acquire by borrowing funds or by purchase, lease, devise,  
2 bequest, and gift and otherwise contract for real and personal  
3 property necessary for the operation of the educational service  
4 district and to the execution of the duties of the board and  
5 superintendent thereof and sell, lease, or otherwise dispose of that  
6 property not necessary for district purposes. No real property shall  
7 be acquired or alienated without the prior approval of the  
8 superintendent of public instruction and the acquisition or  
9 alienation of all such property shall be subject to such provisions  
10 as the superintendent may establish. When borrowing funds for the  
11 purpose of acquiring property, the educational service district board  
12 shall pledge as collateral the property to be acquired. Borrowing  
13 shall be evidenced by a note or other instrument between the district  
14 and the lender;

15 (7) Under RCW 28A.310.010, upon the written request of the  
16 (~~board of directors~~) superintendent of a local school district or  
17 districts served by the educational service district, the educational  
18 service district board of directors may provide cooperative and  
19 informational services not in conflict with other law that provide  
20 for the development and implementation of programs, activities,  
21 services, or practices that support the education of preschool  
22 through twelfth grade students in the public schools or that support  
23 the effective, efficient, or safe management and operation of the  
24 school district or districts served by the educational service  
25 district;

26 (8) Adopt such bylaws and rules for its own operation as it deems  
27 necessary or appropriate; (~~and~~)

28 (9) Enter into contracts relating to any of the duties,  
29 functions, and powers of educational service districts, including  
30 contracts with (~~common~~):

31 (a) Common and educational service districts and the Washington  
32 center for deaf and hard of hearing youth and the school for the  
33 blind for the joint financing of cooperative service programs  
34 conducted pursuant to RCW 28A.310.180(3) (~~r~~); and

35 (b) Federal, state, county, and city government agencies, state  
36 tribal compact schools, private schools, nonprofit and for-profit  
37 entities, community-based organizations, and universities and  
38 community colleges; and (~~employ~~)

1        (10) Employ consultants and legal counsel relating to any of the  
2 duties, functions, and powers of the educational service districts.

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