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By House Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Santos, Reed, and Ortiz-Self)

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1 AN ACT Relating to posting of approved courses and providers of
2 continuing education on equity-based school practices, the national
3 professional standards for education leaders, and government-to-
4 government relationships, which is currently required for
5 administrators and teachers; amending RCW 28A.410.277; adding a new
6 section to chapter 28A.410 RCW; and providing an expiration date.

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

8 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.410.277 and 2021 c 77 s 1 are each amended to
9 read as follows:

10 (1) The Washington professional educator standards board must
11 adopt rules for renewal of administrator certificates and teacher
12 certificates that meet the continuing education requirements of this
13 section.

14 (2) To renew an administrator certificate on or after July 1,
15 2023, continuing education must meet the following requirements: 10
16 percent must focus on equity-based school practices, 10 percent must
17 focus on the national professional standards for education leaders,
18 and five percent must focus on government-to-government relationships
19 with federally recognized tribes.

20 (3) To renew a teacher certificate on or after July 1, 2023, 15
21 percent of continuing education must focus on equity-based school

1 practices. This subsection (3) does not apply to a person renewing
2 both a teacher certificate and an administrator certificate.

3 ~~(4) (a) ((Except as provided under (b) of this subsection (4),~~
4 ~~continuing education must be provided by one or more of the following~~
5 ~~entities, if they are an approved clock hour provider:~~

6 ~~(i) The office of the superintendent of public instruction;~~

7 ~~(ii) A school district;~~

8 ~~(iii) An educational service district;~~

9 ~~(iv) A Washington professional educator standards board-approved~~
10 ~~administrator or teacher preparation program;~~

11 ~~(v) The association of Washington school principals; or~~

12 ~~(vi) The Washington education association.~~

13 ~~(b) Continuing))~~ To meet the requirements of subsection (2) of
14 this section, continuing education related to government-to-
15 government relationships with federally recognized tribes must be
16 provided by one or more subject matter experts approved by the
17 governor's office on Indian affairs in collaboration with the tribal
18 leaders congress on education and the office of Native education in
19 the office of the superintendent of public instruction.

20 ~~((+5))~~ (b) The office of the superintendent of public
21 instruction and the Washington professional educator standards board
22 must maintain a list of subject matter experts approved under (a) of
23 this subsection on their respective websites.

24 (5) An entity providing an administrator or teacher continuing
25 education program focused on equity-based school practices or the
26 national professional standards for education leaders must publicly
27 post the learning objectives of the program on its website. If the
28 entity does not have a website, it must post the learning objectives
29 of the program in a conspicuous place in the entity's main office and
30 submit a copy of the learning objectives to the Washington
31 professional educator standards board.

32 (6) Continuing education focused on equity-based school practices
33 must be aligned with the standards ((for cultural competency
34 developed)) of practice developed by the Washington professional
35 educator standards board under RCW 28A.410.260.

36 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 28A.410
37 RCW to read as follows:

38 (1) As required by this section, the office of the superintendent
39 of public instruction shall audit approved providers of administrator

1 or teacher continuing education programs focused on equity-based
2 school practices or the national professional standards for education
3 leaders.

4 (2) (a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, the office
5 of the superintendent of public instruction must audit a
6 representative sample of each of the following categories of approved
7 providers each year:

8 (i) Washington professional educator standards board-approved
9 educator preparation programs and other college and university
10 programs;

11 (ii) School districts, public schools, educational service
12 districts, and any other local, state, or federal agencies;

13 (iii) Private schools approved by the state board of education
14 under RCW 28A.305.130; and

15 (iv) Any other organizations or entities.

16 (b) If an organization or entity is not an approved provider
17 prior to the effective date of this section, the office of the
18 superintendent of public instruction must audit the provider within
19 two years of initial approval by the Washington professional educator
20 standards board.

21 (3) The purpose of audits is to confirm that approved providers
22 are meeting provider approval standards under chapter 181-85 WAC,
23 including whether the provider is in substantial compliance with the
24 requirements of RCW 28A.410.277.

25 (4) For the purposes of this section, "approved provider" and
26 "provider" have the same meaning as "approved in-service education
27 agency" in WAC 181-85-045, but apply only to providers of
28 administrator or teacher continuing education programs focused on
29 either equity-based school practices or the national professional
30 standards for education leaders.

31 (5) This section expires June 30, 2034.

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