
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5593

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By Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education (originally sponsored by Senators Lias, Holy, Mullet, Lovick, and C. Wilson)

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1 AN ACT Relating to improving equity in the transfer of student
2 data between K-12 schools and institutions of higher education;
3 adding a new section to chapter 28B.10 RCW; and adding a new section
4 to chapter 28A.150 RCW.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.10
7 RCW to read as follows:

8 (1) Institutions of higher education must enter into data-sharing
9 agreements with the office of the superintendent of public
10 instruction to facilitate the transfer of high school student
11 directory information collected under section 2 of this act for the
12 purposes of informing Washington high school students of
13 postsecondary educational opportunities available in the state.

14 (2) Data-sharing agreements entered into under this section must
15 provide for the sharing of student enrollment and outcome information
16 from institutions of higher education to the office of the
17 superintendent of public instruction. To the extent possible, the
18 office of the superintendent of public instruction shall transmit
19 student enrollment information to the enrolled students' host
20 districts for the current year.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.150
2 RCW to read as follows:

3 (1) (a) In accordance with the federal elementary and secondary
4 education act of 1965, as amended (115 Stat. 1983, 20 U.S.C. Sec.
5 7908), school districts that operate a high school shall annually
6 transmit directory information of all enrolled high school students
7 to the office of the superintendent of public instruction by November
8 1st.

9 (b) For the purposes of this section, "directory information" has
10 the same meaning as in 34 C.F.R. Sec. 99.3 (2011) and includes names,
11 addresses, email addresses of students and legal guardians, and
12 telephone numbers of students and legal guardians.

13 (2) The office of the superintendent of public instruction must
14 hold the high school student directory information collected under
15 this section and make the information available for institutions of
16 higher education, as defined under RCW 28B.10.016.

17 (3) By no later than the beginning of the 2025-26 school year,
18 the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall identify
19 a process for making information on a student's enrollment in an
20 institution of higher education available to the student's school
21 district.

22 (4) In transmitting student information under this section,
23 school districts must comply with the consent procedures under RCW
24 28A.605.030, the federal family educational and privacy rights act of
25 1974 (20 U.S.C. Sec. 1232g), and all applicable rules and
26 regulations.

27 (5) The student directory information data collected under this
28 section is solely for the following purposes:

29 (a) College awareness and admissions at institutions of higher
30 education, as defined under RCW 28B.10.016; and

31 (b) Providing enrollment and outcome information to the office of
32 the superintendent of public instruction and to school districts
33 related to students from their respective school district under
34 subsection (3) of this section.

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