
SENATE BILL 6401

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By Senators Rasmussen and Franklin

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1 AN ACT Relating to the summer school jump start program; adding a
2 new section to chapter 28A.630 RCW; creating a new section; and making
3 an appropriation.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that students could
6 get a quick start on the next school year if they had the opportunity
7 to spend time learning during the summer. The legislature further
8 finds that school districts are often only able to provide limited
9 summer school opportunities due to limited resources. The legislature
10 further finds that some students in sixth, seventh, and eighth grade
11 face difficult academic challenges during the middle school years and
12 that future academic problems can be prevented through academic help
13 during the summer months.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.630
15 RCW to read as follows:

16 (1) The summer school jump start program is created to give
17 students a jump start on the next school year.

1 (2) The program shall be designed to provide funds, to the extent
2 funds are appropriated, for eligible school districts to provide summer
3 school programs to students who would be entering grades six, seven, or
4 eight.

5 (3) A school district or group of school districts are eligible for
6 funds if the district or districts:

7 (a) Provide the summer school services in the summer school jump
8 start program to students without charge;

9 (b) Provide a minimum of fifty percent of the cost of the summer
10 school program from other funds including but not limited to private
11 donations, contributions from other public entities, or from district
12 sources;

13 (c) Design the summer school jump start program to help students
14 better meet the academic learning standards and learning goals; and

15 (d) Develop and implement a plan to assess the effect of the jump
16 start program on students' achievements in school.

17 (4) The superintendent of public instruction shall administer the
18 program and may adopt rules as necessary for the administration of the
19 program.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The sum of five hundred thousand dollars, or
21 as much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for the fiscal
22 year ending June 30, 1998, from the general fund to the superintendent
23 of public instruction for the purposes of this act.

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