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HOUSE BILL 2991

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By Representatives Fromhold, Roberts, Simpson, and Ormsby

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1            AN ACT Relating to providing salary bonuses for nationally  
2 certified school speech-language pathologists and audiologists; and  
3 amending RCW 28A.405.415.

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

5            **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.405.415 and 2007 c 398 s 2 are each amended to  
6 read as follows:

7            (1) Certificated instructional staff who have attained  
8 certification from the national board for professional teaching  
9 standards and educational staff associates certified as a school  
10 speech-language pathologist or audiologist who have attained a  
11 certificate of clinical competence from the American speech-language-  
12 hearing association shall receive a bonus each year in which they  
13 maintain the certification. The bonus shall be calculated as follows:  
14 The annual bonus shall be five thousand dollars in the 2007-08 school  
15 year. Thereafter, the annual bonus shall increase by inflation.

16            (2) Certificated instructional staff who have attained  
17 certification from the national board for professional teaching  
18 standards shall be eligible for bonuses in addition to that provided by

1 subsection (1) of this section if the individual is in an instructional  
2 assignment in a school in which at least seventy percent of the  
3 students qualify for the free and reduced-price lunch program.

4 (3) The amount of the additional bonus under subsection (2) of this  
5 section for those meeting the qualifications of subsection (2) of this  
6 section is five thousand dollars.

7 (4) The bonuses provided under this section are in addition to  
8 compensation received under a district's salary schedule adopted in  
9 accordance with RCW 28A.405.200 and shall not be included in  
10 calculations of a district's average salary and associated salary  
11 limitations under RCW 28A.400.200.

12 (5) The bonuses provided under this section shall be paid in a lump  
13 sum amount and shall not be included in the definition of "earnable  
14 compensation" under RCW 41.32.010(10).

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