CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6556

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2008 Regular Session

Passed by the Senate March 11, 2008
  YEAS 44 NAYS 0

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President of the Senate

Passed by the House March 5, 2008
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Speaker of the House of Representatives

Approved

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Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6556** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

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Secretary

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Secretary of State
State of Washington

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AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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By Senate Early Learning & K-12 Education (originally sponsored by
Senators Honeyford, Pflug, Morton, Stevens, and Swecker)

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1   AN ACT Relating to school anaphylactic policy guidelines; and
2   adding a new section to chapter 28A.210 RCW.

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

4   NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.210
5   RCW to read as follows:
6   (1) The office of the superintendent of public instruction, in
7   consultation with the department of health, shall develop anaphylactic
8   policy guidelines for schools to prevent anaphylaxis and deal with
9   medical emergencies resulting from it. The policy guidelines shall be
10 developed with input from pediatricians, school nurses, other health
11 care providers, parents of children with life-threatening allergies,
12 school administrators, teachers, and food service directors.
13 The policy guidelines shall include, but need not be limited to:
14   (a) A procedure for each school to follow to develop a treatment
15 plan including the responsibilities for school nurses and other
16 appropriate school personnel responsible for responding to a student
17 who may be experiencing anaphylaxis;
18   (b) The content of a training course for appropriate school

1 personnel for preventing and responding to a student who may be
2 experiencing anaphylaxis;
3   (c) A procedure for the development of an individualized emergency
4 health care plan for children with food or other allergies that could
5 result in anaphylaxis;
6   (d) A communication plan for the school to follow to gather and
7 disseminate information on students with food or other allergies who
8 may experience anaphylaxis;
9   (e) Strategies for reduction of the risk of exposure to
10 anaphylactic causative agents including food and other allergens.
11   (2) For the purpose of this section "anaphylaxis" means a severe
12 allergic and life-threatening reaction that is a collection of
13 symptoms, which may include breathing difficulties and a drop in blood
14 pressure or shock.
15   (3)(a) By October 15, 2008, the superintendent of public
16 instruction shall report to the select interim legislative task force
17 on comprehensive school health reform created in section 6, chapter 5,
18 Laws of 2007, on the following:
19   (i) The implementation within school districts of the 2008
20 guidelines for care of students with life-threatening food allergies
21 developed by the superintendent pursuant to section 501, chapter 522,
22 Laws of 2007, including a review of policies developed by the school
23 districts, the training provided to school personnel, and plans for
24 follow-up monitoring of policy implementation; and
25   (ii) Recommendations on requirements for effectively implementing
26 the school anaphylactic policy guidelines developed under this section.
27   (b) By March 31, 2009, the superintendent of public instruction
28 shall report policy guidelines to the appropriate committees of the
29 legislature and to school districts for the districts to use to develop
30 and adopt their policies.
31   (4) By September 1, 2009, each school district shall use the
32 guidelines developed under subsection (1) of this section to develop
33 and adopt a school district policy for each school in the district to
34 follow to assist schools to prevent anaphylaxis.

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