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Provides that the agency may deny a private vocational school's application for licensure if the school fails to meet the requirements in this act.

Authorizes the agency to determine that a licensed private vocational school or a particular program of a private vocational school is at risk if: (1) There is a pattern or history of substantiated student complaints filed with the agency pursuant to RCW 28C.10.120; or

(2) The private vocational school has a pattern or history of failing to meet the minimum requirements for licensure established by the agency or substantially fails to meet the minimum requirements for licensure established by the agency.

Provides that, if the agency determines that a private vocational school is at risk, the agency shall require the school to take corrective action.

Provides that, if a private vocational school closes without providing adequate notice to its enrolled students, the agency shall provide transition assistance to the school's students including, but not limited to, information regarding: (1) Transfer options available to students;

(2) Financial aid discharge eligibility and procedures;

(3) The labor market, job search strategies, and placement assistance services; and

(4) Other support services available to students.

Appropriates the sum of fifty-three thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, from the general fund to the work force training and education coordinating board for the purposes of this act.

Appropriates the sum of fifty-three thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, from the general fund to the work force training and education coordinating board for the purposes of this act.