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1 AN ACT Relating to sexual misconduct by school employees; and 2 amending RCW 9A.44.093 and 9A.44.096.

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

4 Sec. 1. RCW 9A.44.093 and 2005 c 262 s 2 are each amended to read 5 as follows:

(1) A person is guilty of sexual misconduct with a minor in the 6 7 first degree when: (a) The person has, or knowingly causes another person under the age of eighteen to have, sexual intercourse with 8 9 another person who is at least sixteen years old but less than eighteen 10 years old and not married to the perpetrator, if the perpetrator is at 11 least sixty months older than the victim, is in a significant relationship to the victim, and abuses a supervisory position within 12 13 that relationship in order to engage in or cause another person under 14 the age of eighteen to engage in sexual intercourse with the victim; 15 (b) the person is a school employee who has, or knowingly causes 16 another person under the age of eighteen to have, sexual intercourse with a registered student of the school who is at least sixteen years 17 18 old but less than twenty years old and not married to the employee, if 19 the employee is at least sixty months older than the student; or (c)

the person is a foster parent who has, or knowingly causes another person under the age of eighteen to have, sexual intercourse with his or her foster child who is at least sixteen.

4 (2) Sexual misconduct with a minor in the first degree is a class 5 C felony.

6 (3) For the purposes of this section, "school employee" means an 7 employee of a common school defined in RCW 28A.150.020, or a grade 8 kindergarten through twelve employee of a private school under chapter 9 28A.195 RCW, who is not enrolled as a student of the common school or 10 private school.

11 **Sec. 2.** RCW 9A.44.096 and 2005 c 262 s 3 are each amended to read 12 as follows:

13 (1) A person is guilty of sexual misconduct with a minor in the 14 second degree when: (a) The person has, or knowingly causes another person under the age of eighteen to have, sexual contact with another 15 16 person who is at least sixteen years old but less than eighteen years 17 old and not married to the perpetrator, if the perpetrator is at least 18 sixty months older than the victim, is in a significant relationship to the victim, and abuses a supervisory position within that relationship 19 20 in order to engage in or cause another person under the age of eighteen 21 to engage in sexual contact with the victim; (b) the person is a school 22 employee who has, or knowingly causes another person under the age of 23 eighteen to have, sexual contact with a registered student of the 24 school who is at least sixteen years old but less than twenty years old 25 and not married to the employee, if the employee is at least sixty 26 months older than the student; or (c) the person is a foster parent who 27 has, or knowingly causes another person under the age of eighteen to 28 have, sexual contact with his or her foster child who is at least 29 sixteen.

30 (2) Sexual misconduct with a minor in the second degree is a gross 31 misdemeanor.

32 (3) For the purposes of this section, "school employee" means an 33 employee of a common school defined in RCW 28A.150.020, or a grade 34 kindergarten through twelve employee of a private school under chapter 35 28A.195 RCW, who is not enrolled as a student of the common school or

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