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## SENATE BILL 5346

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By Senators Swecker and Benton

Read first time 01/21/11. Referred to Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education.

- 1 AN ACT Relating to education vouchers; and adding a new section to
- 2 chapter 28A.150 RCW.

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- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.150 5 RCW to read as follows:
  - (1) Beginning with the 2011-12 school year, this section authorizes parents who choose to educate their children outside the public education system to receive an education voucher for each child educated outside the public education system.
  - (2)(a) A parent or guardian who wishes to obtain education vouchers for his or her school-age children must apply to the office of the superintendent of public instruction by September 30th of each year.
- 13 (b) The application must show that the child has passed a national assessment.
- 15 (3) The office of the superintendent of public instruction must 16 issue vouchers by May 30th of the school year in which the parent 17 applies in the amount of three thousand five hundred dollars per 18 student per school year.

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- 1 (4) The superintendent of public instruction may adopt rules to
- 2 implement this section.

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