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**HOUSE BILL 1270**

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**By** Representatives Young, Simmons, Sutherland, Eslick, Goodman, Santos, and Chambers

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1 AN ACT Relating to an educational grant program to promote  
2 confidence, public speaking, and leadership skills in students;  
3 adding a new section to chapter 28A.300 RCW; creating a new section;  
4 and providing an expiration date.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.300  
7 RCW to read as follows:

8 (1) Subject to funds appropriated for this specific purpose, the  
9 office of the superintendent of public instruction must establish a  
10 pilot project grant program to award grants to two school districts  
11 for the promotion of confidence, public speaking, and leadership  
12 skills in students in grades two through five. The program  
13 established in accordance with this subsection must be developed  
14 according to a schedule that provides school districts with  
15 sufficient time to apply for and receive grants in the 2021-22 school  
16 year.

17 (2) Grants awarded under this section must be for one school  
18 district located west of the crest of the Cascade mountain range and  
19 one school district located east of the crest of the Cascade mountain  
20 range that are proposing to collaborate with a partner school  
21 district for the purpose of replicating an implemented after-school

1 program that: Promotes confidence, public speaking, and leadership  
2 skills in students in grades two through five; and is fully or  
3 partially administered and funded with private funds.

4 (3) School districts applying for or receiving grants under this  
5 section are encouraged to seek partnerships with public and private  
6 entities for the purpose of enhancing student benefits and minimizing  
7 costs to recipient districts and schools.

8 (4) By December 1, 2023, the superintendent of public instruction  
9 must report findings and recommendations for the pilot project grant  
10 program and an assessment of whether the program accomplished  
11 established goals and should be expanded. The report required by this  
12 subsection must be submitted to the education committees of the house  
13 of representatives and the senate in accordance with RCW 43.01.036.

14 (5) This section expires June 30, 2024.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act may be known and cited as the  
16 little toasters act.

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