
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1256

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By House Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Representatives Jones, Peery, Miller, Cole, G. Fisher, Ebersole, Holland, H. Myers, Roland, Hine, Winsley, Forner, Riley, Basich and Inslee).

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1 AN ACT Relating to school-business partnerships; adding new
2 sections to chapter 28A.415 RCW; and creating a new section.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** It is the intent of the legislature to
5 encourage public school employees to enhance their knowledge of their
6 subject matter by completing internships with private and public sector
7 organizations. It is the further intent of the legislature to increase
8 the interaction between Washington's schools and the Washington
9 business community.

10 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** Certificated instructional staff who
11 complete internships with private and public sector organizations are
12 eligible to receive continuing education credit.

13 Continuing education credit for internships may be awarded by the
14 superintendent of the employee's school district.

1 Eligibility for continuing education credit shall be determined by
2 the superintendent of the school district before the beginning of the
3 internship. To be eligible for continuing education credit, the
4 certificated instructional staff shall demonstrate that the internship
5 will provide beneficial information and experience in an area directly
6 related to his or her current assignment, or to his or her assignment
7 for the following year.

8 Continuing education credit earned by completing internships shall
9 be used to meet any applicable continuing education requirements and
10 for state salary allocation purposes under RCW 28A.150.410.

11 Sections 1 through 3 of this act are not intended to affect the
12 granting of credit for internships by postsecondary institutions.

13 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The equivalent of one college quarter
14 credit shall be awarded for each fifty hours that the certificated
15 instructional staff participates in an internship. An individual may
16 not receive more than the equivalent of fifteen college quarter credits
17 for internships during a five calendar-year period.

18 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** The superintendent of public instruction,
19 in coordination with state-wide organizations that promote business
20 involvement in the common schools, shall conduct a symposium on school-
21 business education partnerships. The objective of the symposium shall
22 be to assist educators, businesses, and other organizations in
23 obtaining the skills and knowledge necessary to conduct successful
24 partnerships, and to promote coordinated approaches to school-business
25 partnerships. The symposium shall be conducted before December 31,
26 1992.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** Sections 1 through 3 of this act shall
2 constitute a new subchapter in chapter 28A.415 RCW.