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1 AN ACT Relating to voluntary community service; adding a new
2 section to chapter 28A.230 RCW; and creating a new section.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the education
5 of our children must include not only academic and technical skills and
6 knowledge, but also the development of character and an understanding
7 of our common responsibilities as members of our society and democracy.
8 One method for building character and teaching responsibility in our
9 students is to encourage them to volunteer in community social,
10 governmental, and educational organizations. Increasing the level of
11 student volunteerism will strengthen the relationship between schools
12 and communities, expand instructional effectiveness, strengthen the
13 bonds between young people and adults, and provide enriching, rewarding
14 experiences for students.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.230
2 RCW to read as follows:

3 Every high school in the state shall offer annually at least one
4 elective course in which students may volunteer their services to
5 community social and educational organizations. Community social and
6 educational organizations shall include hospitals, nursing homes, food
7 banks, day care centers, health clinics, senior citizen centers,
8 schools, civic organizations, state and local government offices, and
9 other organizations that provide social, health, educational, and
10 governmental services. At the discretion of the high school, the
11 course may be offered during, before, or after the regular school day.