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1 AN ACT Relating to allowing schools to receive waivers from state
2 laws, rules, and school district policies and procedures; and adding a
3 new section to chapter 28A.320 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.320
6 RCW to read as follows:

7 (1) The board of directors of each school district may grant
8 waivers, or partial waivers, of state laws and rules and of school
9 district policies and procedures to schools within the district in
10 accordance with this section.

11 (2) To apply for waivers, a school principal, in consultation with
12 school staff and parents, shall prepare an application to the board of
13 directors that identifies which laws, rules, policies, and procedures
14 are being requested to be waived and the rationale for requesting the
15 waivers.

16 (3) The school board shall provide for public review and comment
17 regarding the waiver request.

18 (4) The duration, renewal, and rescission of the waivers shall be
19 determined by the school district board of directors.

1 (5) The following may not be waived:

2 (a) Laws and rules pertaining to health, safety, and civil rights;

3 (b) The assessment, accountability, and reporting requirements in
4 RCW 28A.230.190, the fourth grade standardized test; RCW 28A.230.230,
5 the eighth grade standardized test; RCW 28A.230.240, the eleventh grade
6 standardized test; RCW 28A.630.885, assessment requirements; and RCW
7 28A.320.205, the annual performance report; and

8 (c) State and federal financial reporting and auditing
9 requirements.

10 (6) The granting of waivers by school district boards of directors
11 as authorized in this section shall not be subject to collective
12 bargaining.

13 (7) School district boards of directors shall notify the state
14 board of education and the superintendent of public instruction in
15 writing of laws, rules, and school district policies and procedures
16 that have been waived in accordance with this section. The
17 notification shall be transmitted to the state board of education and
18 the superintendent within thirty days of granting the waivers. The
19 state board and superintendent shall report to the legislature by
20 December 1, 1999, of the laws, rules, policies, and procedures that
21 have been waived in accordance with this section.

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