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By Representatives Mulliken, Johnson, Talcott, Boldt, Koster, Smith, McDonald, McCune, Sherstad, Sheahan and Bush

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1 AN ACT Relating to the teaching of nonacademic subjects; adding a 2 new section to chapter 28A.150 RCW; and creating a new section.

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

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 28A.150
5 RCW to read as follows:

6 NONACADEMIC INSTRUCTION. (1) Schools desiring to provide 7 instruction in nonacademic subject matter regarding suicide, euthanasia, or human sexuality issues dealing with sex education, 8 sexually transmitted diseases, contraception, or sexual orientation, 9 10 must provide such instruction as an independent unit within a curriculum offering. Incidental conversations regarding the subjects 11 in this section that are student-led and student-initiated may not be 12 13 discouraged. However, teachers may not elicit student discussion 14 regarding any of the subject matters in this section outside of the 15 independent unit offering.

(2) All independent units offered under this section shall be
 elective and require prior parental written consent before a student
 participates in the unit offering.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. CAPTIONS NOT LAW. Captions used in this act
 are not any part of the law.

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