

2 **HB 2684** - S COMM AMD

3 By Committee on Human Services & Corrections

4 ADOPTED 2/29/00

5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
6 following:

7 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.150
8 RCW to read as follows:

9 In order to effectively serve students who are under the
10 jurisdiction of the juvenile justice system as dependent pursuant to
11 chapter 13.34 RCW, education records shall be released upon request to
12 the department of social and health services provided that the
13 department of social and health services certifies that it will not
14 disclose to any other party the education records without prior written
15 consent of the parent or student unless authorized to disclose the
16 records under state law. The department of social and health services
17 is authorized to disclose education records it obtains pursuant to this
18 section to a foster parent, guardian, or other entity authorized by the
19 department of social and health services to provide residential care to
20 the student.

21 **Sec. 2.** RCW 74.13.285 and 1997 c 272 s 5 are each amended to read
22 as follows:

23 (1) Within available resources, the department shall prepare a
24 passport containing all known and available information concerning the
25 mental, physical, health, and educational status of the child for any
26 child who has been in a foster home for ninety consecutive days or
27 more. The passport shall contain education records obtained pursuant
28 to section 1 of this act. The passport shall be provided to a foster
29 parent at any placement of a child covered by this section. The
30 department shall update the passport during the regularly scheduled
31 court reviews required under chapter 13.34 RCW.

32 New placements after July 1, 1997, shall have first priority in the
33 preparation of passports. Within available resources, the department
34 may prepare passports for any child in a foster home on July 1, 1997,

1 provided that no time spent in a foster home before July 1, 1997, shall
2 be included in the computation of the ninety days.

3 (2) In addition to the requirements of subsection (1) of this
4 section, the department shall, within available resources, notify a
5 foster parent before placement of a child of any known health
6 conditions that pose a serious threat to the child and any known
7 behavioral history that presents a serious risk of harm to the child or
8 others.

9 (3) The department shall hold harmless the provider for any
10 unauthorized disclosures caused by the department."

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14 On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "services;" strike the
15 remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 74.13.285; and adding
16 a new section to chapter 28A.150 RCW."

EFFECT: Strikes department language and adds provisions that
clarify the department and foster parents can obtain school records on
children in the department's custody.

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