

FINAL BILL REPORT

HB 2531

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Providing statutory support for career and technical student organizations.

Sponsors: Representatives Doumit, Huff, Morris, Schoesler, Linville, Cox, Grant, Haigh, Anderson, McMorris, Quall, Mulliken, Murray, Talcott, Ruderman, Mastin, Schindler, Lambert, Reardon, Hatfield, Kenney, Carlson, Alexander, D. Schmidt, Lovick, Mitchell, Keiser, Stensen and Rockefeller.

House Committee on Education
Senate Committee on Education

Background:

The fourth goal of the state's basic education act is that all students develop the knowledge and skills essential to an understanding of the importance of work and how performance, effort, and decisions directly affect future career and educational opportunities.

The Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) has published standards and indicators for vocational-technical education programs offered in the state's public schools. One of the standards challenges vocational-technical education programs to provide students with an opportunity to develop and demonstrate technical, academic, and work readiness competencies required in the workplace, community, family, and for continuing education. Two indicators that programs have met the standard references student participation in vocational student leadership organizations. Those indicators are:

- All vocational-technical programs provide the opportunity for students to participate in recognized program related state and national vocational student leadership organizations.
- Interpersonal and leadership development competencies are taught as an integral part of each approved program, in addition to state and national student leadership organizations.

Summary of Bill:

The Superintendent of Public Instruction (SPI) will support, with at least one full-time equivalent program staff person, state-wide coordination for career and technical student organizations. The SPI may provide additional support to the organizations and their members through contracts with independent coordinators. The criteria used to identify organizations eligible for assistance and support from the SPI are defined and a list of eligible organizations is included.

Votes on Final Passage:

House 96 0

Senate 45 0

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