FINAL BILL REPORT HB 1255

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Including educational service districts in school district provisions.

Sponsors: By Representatives Cox, Fromhold, Haigh, Schoesler and Hunt.

House Committee on Education Senate Committee on Education

Background:

By law, school districts may permit their employees to participate in deferred compensation programs. The conditions that govern the programs are described in the law.

In addition, school districts may provide different types of insurance policies to students, employees, board members, and the dependents of each. The types of insurance policies offered may include liability, life, health, health care, accident, disability, salary protection, and other types of unspecified insurance protection. If funds are available, the district may contribute all or a part of the money needed to pay employee insurance premiums. Students and board members must cover the cost of their own insurance policies. However, school districts may require and help pay the cost of insurance premiums for students participating in interscholastic athletics.

Summary:

Educational service districts (ESDs) may permit their employees to participate in deferred compensation programs. The conditions that govern permissible programs are identical to conditions governing school district sponsored deferred compensation programs.

ESDs may provide different types of insurance policies to students, employees, board members, and the dependents of each. ESDs may offer the same types of insurance coverage that school districts may offer. ESDs, like school districts, may also offer and pay all or part of the cost of insurance protection for students in interscholastic athletics.

Votes on Final Passage:

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