
Education Committee

SSB 6650

Brief Description: Allowing for adoption of classroom policies to remember the September 11 terrorist attacks.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Senators Shin, Sheahan, Long, McAuliffe, Eide, Keiser, Benton, Oke and Rasmussen).

Hearing Date: 2/27/02

Staff: Ilene Miller (786-7310).

Background:

The board of directors of each school district has broad discretionary powers to adopt written policies so long as the policies are not in conflict with other laws. Before adopting a policy, the school district board of directors must comply with the notice requirements as required in the open public meetings act. A statement that describes the proposed policy must also be included in the notice.

Summary of Bill:

The board of directors of each school district may adopt policies that allow for a moment of silence in classrooms to remember the victims of September 11, 2001. If policies are adopted, they must encourage the creation of student committees to establish additional remembrance activities.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not Requested.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.